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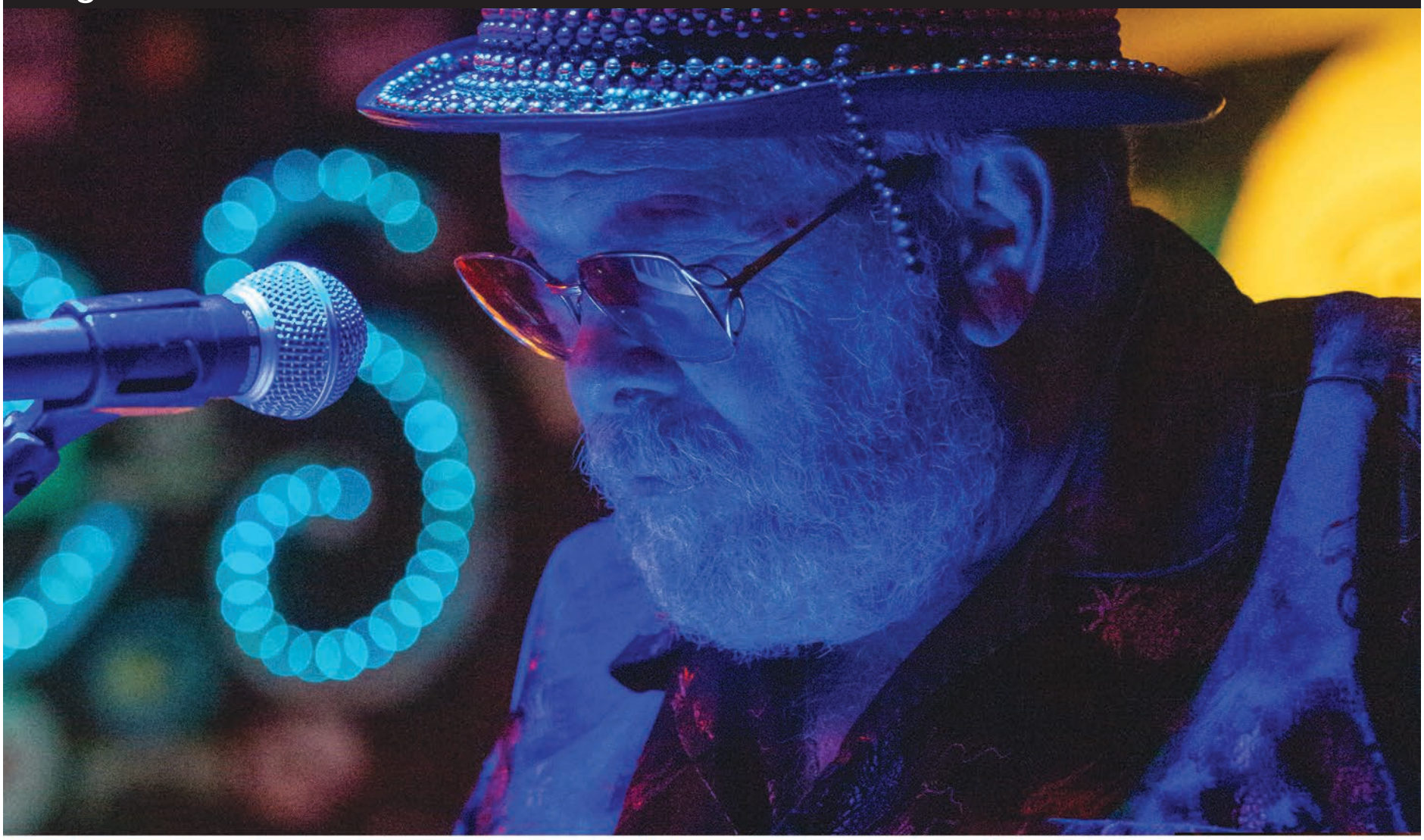

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MONDAY
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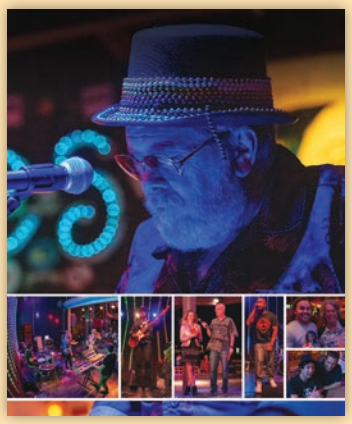

Beachcomber Music Awards
By Jim Clark
www.iamjimclark.com

Opening Remarks

Don't Mess with Beachcomber

Recently, someone on Twitter called this publication "un-American" and said some really terrible things about us. And about you, loyal readers.

His body was later found in a Tom Thumb parking lot, an apparent suicide, but who knows?

Don't mess with us.

Most of the haters come around eventually. It usually involves some light torture, mild verbal abuse, and good-natured toe mangling, but we're often persuasive enough to avoid those tactics, fun as they may be.

Anyway, I'm happy to say that I recently went for my second post-heart attack checkup—with a real doctor this time—and the diagnosis read, "Healthy as #$%*." The folks there said my blood pressure

Editor Manson (right, sporting a head injury from his recent fight with the garbage can) and 99ROCK's Woofy Ramone. Mr. Ramone will serve as one of the co-hosts of the Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11 happening Monday, Aug. 26, at Al's Beach Club on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk.

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The Men and Women Who Make Beachcomber

Carrie Hunter ("Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later") is a filmmaker from Northwest Florida. After graduating from FSU's film school, she worked as a Creative Services Director at Channel 3 in Pensacola and as an associate producer on the independent film *The Lengths* (available on Amazon Prime). Carrie moved to New York to work as an apprentice with the Directors Guild of America, gaining eligibility for guild membership on both coasts. She was assigned to shows like *Luke Cage, Law and Order, Kimmy Schmidt, Blindspot,* and *Ben is Back.*

After completing the program, she returned to the south to produce her own work, including her current documentary *Blue Tarps: This Is Six Months After Hurricane Michael.* In the fall, she will be attending law school at Georgia State University with a focus on intellectual property and entertainment law.

Identified as a dreamer, romantic and creative genius by many, **Jim Clark** (Cover) holds a passion for technology and helping others any way he can. For over 27 years, he has been a creative director dedicated to seeing his clients succeed. As owner of the Clark & Company agency, Mr. Clark provides creative services, from business and marketing planning to comprehensive and integrated creative solutions.

Jim Clark has been honored with many awards, including the 2016 Jack Philipps Gold Medal, presented in recognition of outstanding contributions to advertising and furthering the industry's standards, creative excellence and public service; the 1995 AAF Silver Medal for outstanding advertising achievement; and over 100 ADDYs (American Advertising Awards). He currently serves for the American Advertising Federation's 4th District as Historian and was the founding president of the Emerald Coast Advertising Federation.

Discover more at **www.iamjimclark.com.**

Seagrove Beach resident **Nikki Hedrick** (Events) is a photographer and longtime *Beachcomber* contributor. She is the co-owner of 850 Music and Entertainment, and wears a few other hats, too. Nikki is currently up to her ears in beach wedding season and will soon be up to her ears with the next Kite Film Fest.

Joe Fuller a/k/a Beachcomber Music Awards Hall of Famer JoE Fingas ("Remembering Hans McMinamin") will perform with his band Finga FAYA at the 2019 awards Monday, **Aug. 26,** at Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar on Okaloosa Island.

Clay Jones (Cartoons) syndicates his cartoons daily to publications across the country. Clay was born in Fort Hood, Texas, and was raised in Louisiana, Illinois, California and Georgia. He currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. His cartoons are featured on CNN and *The Week*'s Best Editorial Cartoons, and he was a finalist for the 2019 Herblock Prize.

Subscribe to the **Claytoonz** YouTube channel and watch Clay Jones create his masterpieces and demystify the whole cartooning thing.

Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

reading was the best they'd seen since they'd been working in the medical profession.

In case you were wondering, it was 116 over 72.

My doctor continues to encourage me to eat, drink and smoke whatever I want. He's great. He also recommended that I scheduled a colonoscopy sometime in the near future, "but I'm not gonna twist your arm." Like that's even a body part that would be involved.

Did I mention this guy is the best doctor ever? The first words out of his mouth when he walked into the examining room were, "Did you notice how tan I am? The wife and I just got back from a vacation in the Dominican Republic."

And I'm one of the reasons you get to take all those great vacations, Doc.

Anyway, with the Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11 coming up **Aug. 26** (not to mention the pre-event event at Harbor Docks **Aug. 19,** but I did indeed mention it), I'm glad to see that most of us are still in reasonably good health and I look forward to seeing all of you in the next couple Mondays.

And if I didn't show up at your big event recently, my sincerest apologies. I was working hard, trying to clear all those *Friends* reruns off the DVR.

Speaking of which, we got to the very last episode the other night, and the missus said, "Maybe we should just start over." So I immediately ran upstairs and packed up all my stuff.

Love,
Editor Manson

YOUR THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

Dave, I just saw you're a newlywed (Dear Dawn, Aug. 1-14 *Beachcomber*). My God, if you're complaining now, you're not gonna make it. Wait till you wake up and your wife is standing over you with a pillow deciding whether or not this will be the night she has the courage to smother you. Marriage is not for pussies.

- Rebecca Rush

I'm not impressed with your horoscopes (Horrorscopes, Aug. 1-14 *Beachcomber*). How horrible to tell people they will not be raptures *[sic]* into heaven. Keep your dirty hateful magazine. I will tell everyone I know how horrible.

- Anonymous Comment on **www.beachcomberdestin.com**

Editor's Note: *Isn't "Heaven" supposed to be capitalized? You definitely ain't gettin' raptures!*

Culinary Arts Greenhouse Honors Kay Litke

Major General Donald P. Litke and his family donated $150,000 to establish the Kay Litke Culinary Arts Greenhouse at Northwest Florida State College to honor and memorialize their beloved wife, mother, grandmother, and great-grandmother Kay Litke.

Kay was an exceptional cook and hosted countless dinner parties in support of her husband's active duty military career in the United States Air Force. The Litke family remembers Kay fondly for her love of cooking and the joy she found in hosting and preparing meals for others.

The family previously established the Kay Litke Culinary Arts Scholarship endowment to honor Kay. When the family heard about the greenhouse project, they were immediately drawn to it, as they believe Kay would have loved having her name associated with modern hydroponic farming techniques.

"My wife Kay dreamed of a career in the culinary arts," said Mr. Litke. "She was never able to fulfill that dream because she joined me in 18 moves around the world in our 30-year Air Force career. I am hoping our contributions to the culinary arts program will honor Kay by encouraging other aspiring students to fulfill their dreams."

From left—Dr. Devin Stephenson; Sue Farrell, daughter of Kay and Don Litke; and Major General Don Litke, also a Northwest Florida State College Trustee.

The establishment of this facility will help provide students with fundamental farm-to-table techniques and innovative green practices, and equip students with marketable sustainability skill sets. Under the direction of the culinary arts leadership team, the project will also provide opportunities for community engagement.

"Gifts like the Kay Litke Culinary Arts Greenhouse allow our college to remain at the forefront of innovation in each of our programs," said **Dr. Devin Stephenson,** president of NWF State College. "The greenhouse project will position our culinary students to launch into the future with tangible and sustainable skills."

For more information about partnership opportunities or ways to support Northwest Florida State College, please contact the NWFSC Foundation office at 850-729-5357 or **foundation@nwfsc.edu.**

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Pat Carlyle Scholarship Established for Children's Advocacy Center

In 2014, when a group of long term friends met for their usual dinner, they had the idea of transforming themselves into a book club. The original members—Pat Carlyle, Miffie Hollyday, Betty Cork and Susan Lucas—each invited a friend to join, and Ms. Carlyle christened the group the Beach Bookies. With the additions of Nan Ream, Mary Wolfe, Ann Perry and Mary Zahner, they met every month to discuss books and stay connected to each other's lives.

At their July gathering, the Beach Bookies shared their plan to create a Prevention Scholarship in Ms. Carlyle's name at the Emerald Coast Children's Advocacy Center (ECCAC).

Ms. Carlyle has since lost her battle with cancer. "Pat has asked that we spread love and compassion in the world," the Bookies said. "She was a strong supporter of the ECCAC and its mission to reduce child abuse and neglect, so we believe that this is an excellent and appropriate way to honor her."

Front row—Julie Porterfield, Pat Carlyle and Mary Wolfe. Back row—Nan Ream, Susan Lucas, Jan Neville and Betty Cork. Not pictured—Ann Perry and Mary Zahner.

Julie Porterfield, ECCAC CEO, commented, "In partnership with the Beach Bookies Book Club of South Walton, we will be doing a special Prevention Sponsorship in Pat's name to honor her and try to leave her with the best gift of all…her special legacy for making a difference in so many lives in so many ways, especially for our children through prevention education. That will be a legacy for thousands of children for years to come—they will be empowered to protect themselves in a world where parents no longer always can."

The Center provides child-friendly facilities in Niceville and DeFuniak Springs that house a multidisciplinary team of child protection personnel, prosecutors, law enforcement, DCF, therapists, CAC staff and volunteers. All services are provided at no cost.

The Beach Bookies encourage anyone who is interested in joining this ECCAC child abuse prevention endeavor, or want to make donations to the Prevention Sponsorship in Pat Carlyle's name to visit **ECCAC.org** or call 850-833-9237.

Ms. Carlyle was very involved with the ECCAC and served on their board of directors for several years. She was an integral part of the Pierce Family Center committee to raise funds to build a second center in DeFuniak Springs and was actively involved in seeing the center to fruition.

She was also instrumental in working alongside Ms. Porterfield to earn an Impact 100 grant that has subsidized the nonprofit's all-important Child Safety Matters program. Ms. Carlyle also headed up ECCAC's "Think Tank," comprised of area business leaders working to come up with effective programs to ensure the success of ECCAC.

- Nan Ream

How Many People Died from Opioids While Scott and Florida Lawmakers Coddled Big Pharma?

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

As the behind-the-scenes story of America's worst drug epidemic becomes known, a deadly starring role belongs to the Florida politicians who looked the other way while the state turned into a destination flea market for opioid buyers.

More than 5.5 billion oxycodone and hydrocodone pills poured into Florida between 2006 and 2012, according to data recently provided to *The Washington Post* by the U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency.

The math works out to about 42 doses annually for every Floridian. Only California suffered a bigger deluge of prescription painkillers during that stretch.

Those were the years when you could drive down any interstate in Florida and see billboards for storefront "pain management" clinics, notorious pill mills that drew thousands of out-of-state drug dealers and addicts.

By 2009, authorities counted more than 900 of these in-and-out operations, which were fueling a spike in overdoses from the Keys all the way to the Ohio Valley. "We became the pill supplier for the rest of the country," said Dave Aronberg, a former Florida state senator who is now Palm Beach state attorney.

"Asleep at the wheel for a decade," is the way Aronberg described state leaders' reaction to the crisis.

And no one was sleepier than then-Gov. Rick Scott, now a U.S. senator. Back in 2011 he sought to shut down a new state prescription-monitoring database that was designed to stop people from "doctor shopping" and to identify outlaw physicians who were overprescribing.

Scott's concern, echoed by some other Republicans, was that the computerized opioid-tracking system was "an invasion of privacy."

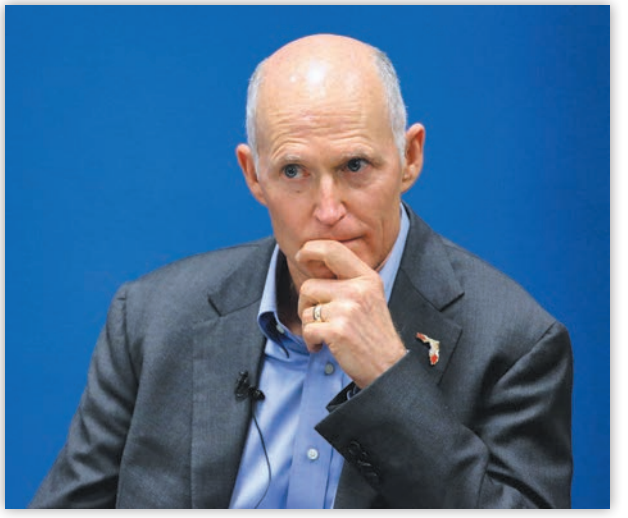
I'm not kidding. That's what these geniuses said.

It was music to the ears of every crooked pill peddler, a profession that craves privacy above all else. Drug-enforcement officials reacted less warmly to Scott's dealer-friendly idea, and eventually he was shamed into changing his mind.

The state's prescription database quickly became a key weapon in shutting down sleazy pill mills. It did not, however, stop the avalanche of opiates, which were still being sold in astronomical numbers by legitimate pharmacies.

One Walgreens near Port Richey was ordering 74,706 pills a month, or about 26 doses for every man, woman and child in the city.

DEA records show that 90 percent of opioids entering Florida between 2006-2012 were distributed by Walgreens and 10 other companies, including CVS, Walmart and Publix.



Former Florida Governor Rick Scott, now a U.S. senator, quashed an opioid-tracking system that could have helped save abusers' lives.

Nine of every 10 pills prescribed in Florida were manufactured by four corporations: SpecGx, a subsidiary of Mallinckrodt; Actavis Pharma; Par Pharmaceutical; and Amneal Pharmaceuticals.

Those 15 total companies—and top individuals associated with them—donated $8.4 million to Florida candidates and political committees between 2006 and 2012, and have given another $12.1 million since 2013, according to a study by the *Herald* and the *Tampa Bay Times*.

You don't need a political science degree to make the connection between the pill industry's campaign donations and the balky political response to the opioid epidemic.

Pasco County Tax Collector Mike Fasano, a GOP state lawmaker during that period, ruefully admitted to a reporter that those corporate contributions stalled legislative action that might have saved lives:

"Money was talking in Tallahassee, unfortunately as people were dying," he said.

Money was also talking in Washington, D.C. During that seven-year period when the painkiller epidemic exploded, major drug companies rained campaign checks on Congress while flooding the country with 76 billion oxycodone and hydrocodone pills.

West Virginia, which led the nation in fatal overdoses, got enough for 66.5 pills per person annually. It was 63.3 pills per person in Kentucky, 58 per person in South Carolina and so on.

That's how the opioid crisis spread. Once authorities finally began to crack down, desperate pill addicts turned to heroin and, more recently (and lethally), fentanyl.

Today, more than 2,000 towns, cities and counties are suing the drug makers in federal court in Cleveland. The judge in that case ordered the DEA

Time to Quit Complaining

By Charles Morgan III

There comes a time when changes must be made. Changes are made in the political arena in every even numbered year. In the world of business, adjustments are made on a regular basis. Societal changes don't happen according to any set schedule, but they have happened throughout history and sometimes have been momentous.

Personal changes have to be made also. The aging process requires certain changes—things happen biologically that we don't have much control over. Some of us have to make all sorts personal changes to be successful or happy or sometimes just to survive.

One of the great things that humans are capable of doing has nothing to do with innovation, invention, success, attaining wealth, procreation, creating art, making music or producing literature.

Humans are capable of consciously making changes in their everyday lives. We can change habits, attitudes and routines. We can change jobs, activities, locations and patterns of behavior.

In my experience, it is sometimes helpful to let people know you are making a change. I think that gives you more incentive to be successful.

I am going to quit complaining.

I don't know that I was ever in the top echelon of complainers. But I've certainly whined more than most people, even though I think I've lived a remarkably charmed life. My family, for the most part, has experienced good health. We've become educated and enjoyed success. We've had failures and have bounced back. Our family has grown and prospered, and we've all experienced remarkable times.

It's time for me to concentrate on something other than criticism, and that could be tough because I'm a critical thinker. But I think I can do it.

There are going to be plenty of people in my circles who might voice opinions on the state of our country...on our leader being a "stable genius," on the need for common citizens to have military grade assault weapons, on a justice system that is decidedly unjust, on an immigration system that is unfair, on an economic system that cannot continue to give relief to the wealthiest Americans with the promise that the wealth will trickle down to the working poor.

There will always be a 24-hour news cycle full of talking heads complaining about something. There will be people arguing and complaining at bars across the land.

But I will not be one of them.

Recently, I am certain that I have complained about jet skis, pontoon boats, time share operations, t-shirt shops, mattress stores, an overweight population, unnecessary medical procedures, pharmaceutical ads, 1-800 lawyer ads, mislabeled seafood, traffic, bicycle and pedestrian safety, climate change, and raw sewage being dumped into the Destin Harbor. One evening, after exhausting my routine complaints, I even shared my disappointment about the sunset.

Farewell to those days. Maybe if I can find something new—something no one else has recognized, something of dramatic impact, something that not one single person in the entire world has ever complained about—well, maybe I'll complain about that.

I'm not going anywhere, and I won't be hard to find. It'll be the new me. I'll be the guy wandering around with a slight grin (I don't smile much anyway), lightly glazed eyes (even though I don't smoke pot), and a cheerful greeting to everyone I meet.

Carl Hiaasen CONTINUED...

database be made public over the objection of the Justice Department and pharma companies.

It's an obscene story, and some of the firms have made settlement offers to avoid a trial. The wave of opioid litigation is now bigger than what hit the tobacco industry.

More than 40 states and tribal entities have also sued the drug makers and distributors for billions in damages. Among those plaintiffs is the state of Florida, where it all was allowed to begin.

Ironically, Florida's no-longer-drowsy legislature has passed a new law allowing the attorney general to pursue the opioid industry using information from the state's own prescription-monitoring database.

The very same one that Rick Scott, Mr. Privacy, wanted to kill.

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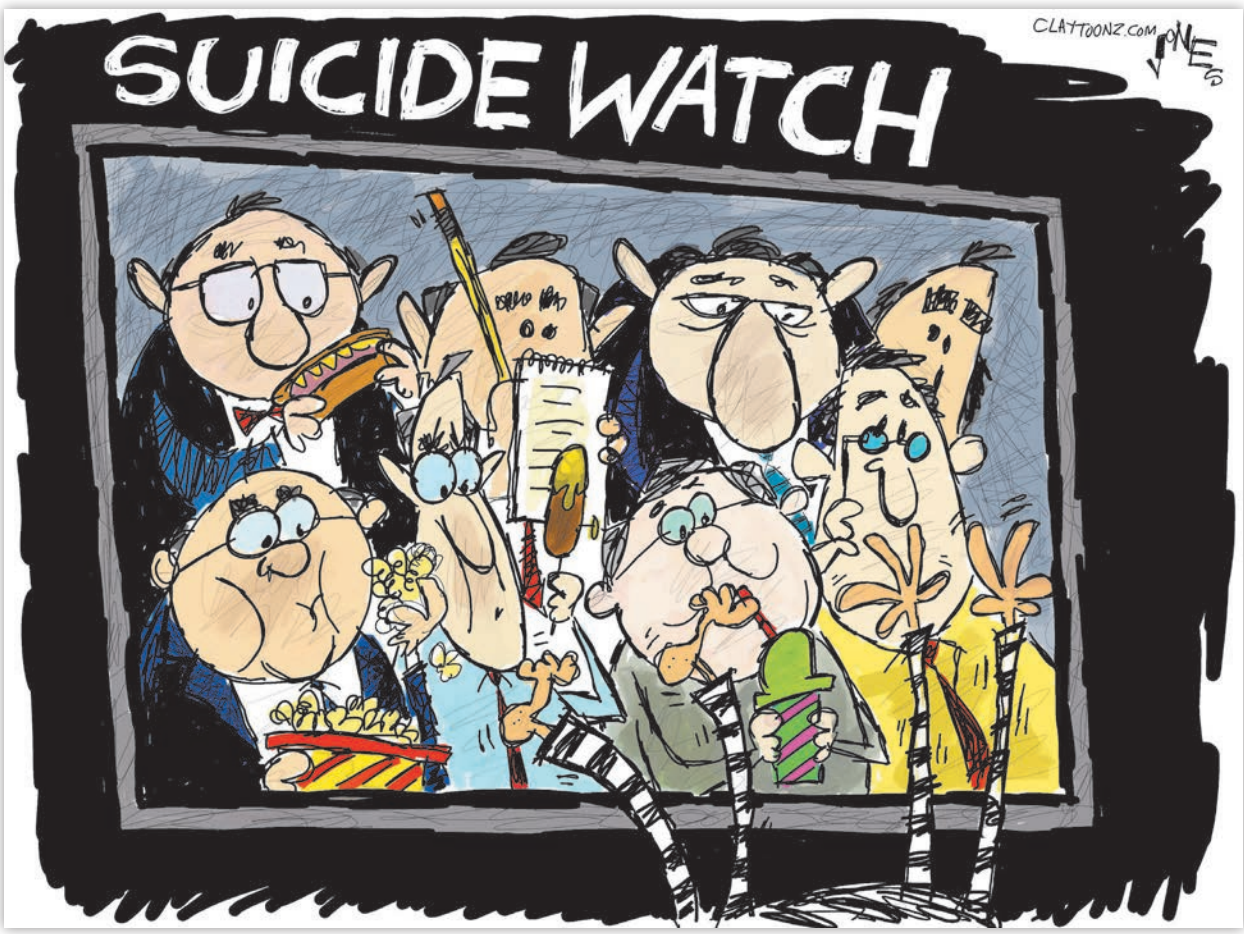


ART CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center, Fort Walton Beach. More info at **artsdesignsociety.org.**

Mondays and Wednesdays. Clay and Pottery Open Studio, 9 AM-noon both days and 6:30-9 PM Mondays. Beginners welcome. Cost for morning classes with **Pat Basque and Sherry Cooler** is $15 ($12 for ADSO members). Cost for Monday evening class with **Marcy Eady** is $15 ($12 for ADSO members). Materials and firing included.

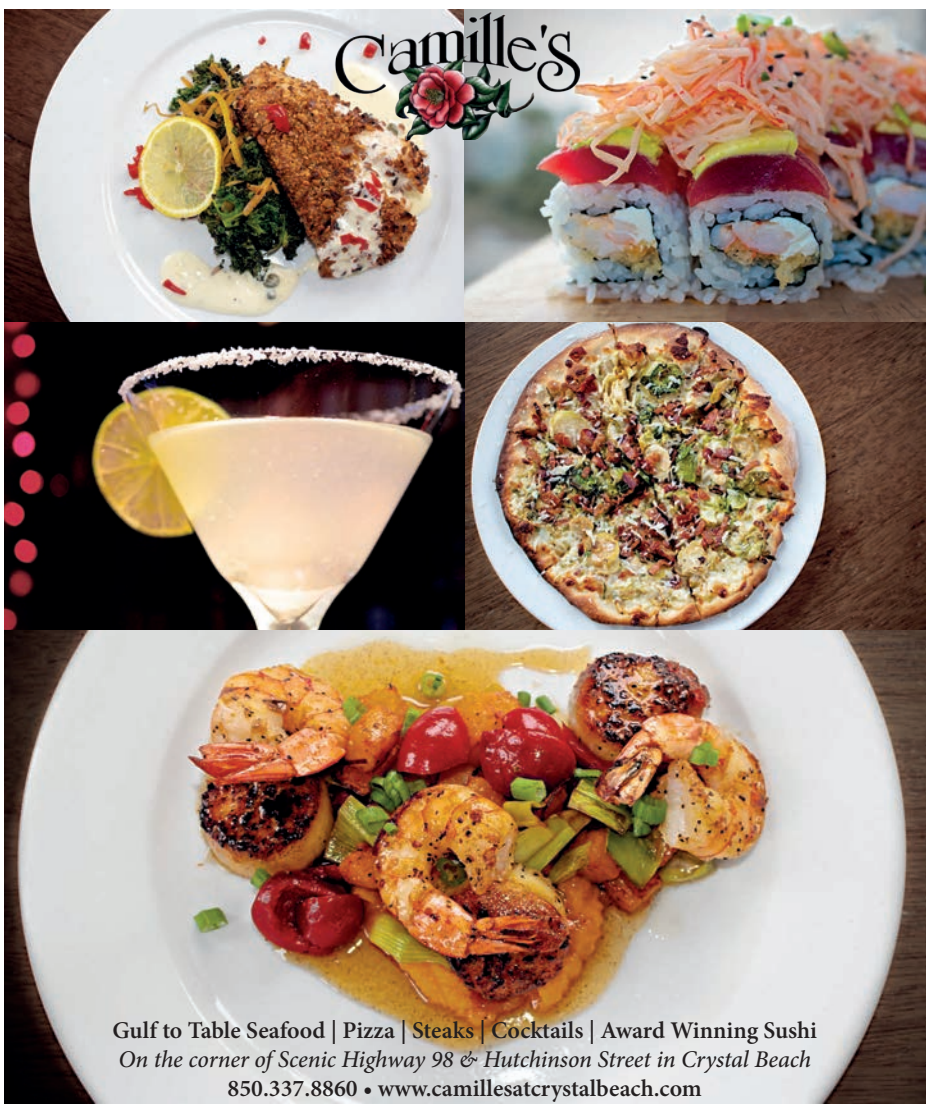
Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12, 4-5:30 PM. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is $70 ($60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

Tuesdays. Oil Painting with Dale Gauvin, 9 AM-1 PM. Learn the Chiaroscuro technique favored by the old masters. Cost is $90 ($80 for ADSO members).

Tuesdays. Open Studio, 7-9:30 PM. Bring your own supplies (no pottery) and work with other Beachcomberland artists. Cost is $12 ($10 for ADSO members). Call Marcy at 850-585-4967 by 5:30 p.m. to ensure access.

Aug. 19-23. "Experimenting with Watercolor" with Carol Dickson, 1-4 PM. Students will explore the use of different paints, brushes, and paper. Each day a different subject will be presented for learning different techniques using watercolor. The students will go home with a finished painting each day. For beginning through advanced. Cost is $145 ($130 for ADSO members). Bring your own paints and brushes, or use supplies provided by Ms. Dickson. All paper will be provided. Learn more about the instructor at **www.CarolDicksonCreations.com.**

Sept. 3, 10, 17 and 24. Art Classes for Homeschoolers Ages 6-12 with Marcy Eady, 1:30-3 PM. Cost is $70 per month ($60 for ADSO members), all supplies included. Each class explores a different medium or artist, emphasizing style, brush strokes and color.



Sept. 9, 16, 23 and 30. Painting with Loretta Menendian, 1-3 PM. A four-class acrylic workshop for artists wishing to improve technique. Cost is $90 ($80 for ADSO members). Supply list available at the ADSO office or on the website. Students may paint subjects of their choice and bring reference photos.

Oct. 4-6. "Bigger, Faster, Fresher, Looser Abstracts" Workshop with David M. Kessler, 9 AM-4 PM. "Learn to paint more freely!" Registration deadline is Wednesday, **Sept. 4.** Cost is $350 ($320 for ADSO members). Students provide their own materials—supply list available at the ADSO office. Learn more about the artist at **www.davidkessler.com.**

CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY, 3925 West County Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach. Call 1-844-5-CHROMA or visit **www.CHROMA30A.com** for more info.

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HH ARTS, 100 Beal Parkway SW, Fort Walton Beach. Call 850-218-2155 to register for classes.

THE SHARD SHOP in the Shops of Grayton, Grayton Beach. ShardWorx is a new way of making art with glass and resin on a painted surface. Open Mon.-Sat., 9:15 AM-4 PM. Classes daily. Adult classes, 9:30 AM. All ages classes at 11 AM, 1:30 and 3 PM Classes last about an hour, and all materials are provided. Artwork is ready the day after class. All skill levels welcome. Adults start at $85, kids at $40. Sign up online at **ShardShop.com** or call 850-231-0544.

ART EVENTS

THROUGH AUG. 31. ADSO WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH

To provide a convenient art gallery for the community, ADSO presents month-long FREE exhibits in their studio windows, facing First Street. The August spotlight shines on **Dale Gauvin** and his students**.** Mr. Gauvin teaches the "Old Masters" and other techniques at ADSO every Tuesday.

THROUGH AUG. 31. SHARON LONG EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH

Sharon Long is a local watercolor artist, instructor and publisher who has lived in the area for 30 years. Ms. Long's specially designed palette system simplifies the process of creating rich, vivid colors and strong values. Through painting and teaching, she shares her inspirations from her life of travel with her husband Robert.

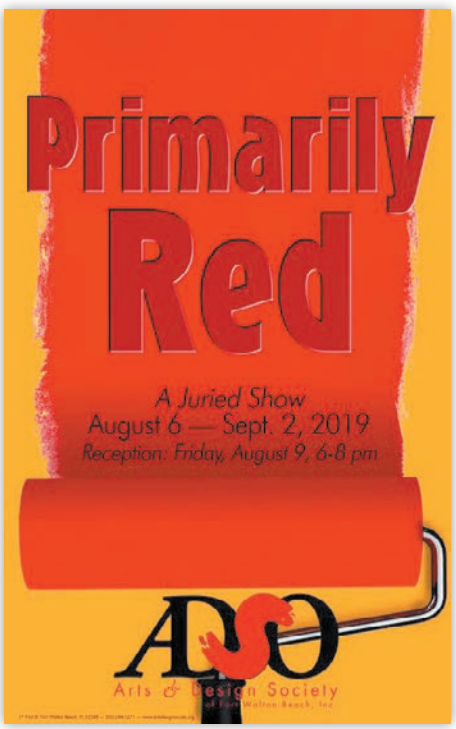
Sharon credits Robert for introducing her to watercolor techniques.
They traveled five months out of every year for 18 years, teaching and sharing everything they know about their art form. "Courtyards of New Orleans," a series Robert painted, is included in this exhibit.

Since Robert passed away in 2008, Sharon continues with their innovative style and easy-to-follow instructions that give both novice and experienced painters confidence when working with watercolor.

Her vibrant paintings are in public and private collections internationally. You can reach her for information, classroom opportunities and commissions at **sharon2art@aol.com.**

- Nan Ream

THROUGH SEPT. 2. ADSO'S "PRIMARILY RED" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH



Art in multiple mediums that are (at least) 75 percent red.

THROUGH SEPT. 30. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN GRAND BOULEVARD TOWN CENTER, MIRAMAR BEACH

Artists include **Melody Bogle, Gayle Campbell, Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Skip Deems, Rebecca Dier Hart, Sandra Horne, Iva Jazayeri, Linda Kernick, Jason Lindblad, Merry Beth Myrick, William Polley, Mary Redmann, Kathleen Schumacher, Jenna Varney,** and **Martin Zurla.** Call 850-837-3037 or visit **CulturalArtsAlliance.com** for more info.

THROUGH OCT. 27. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN THE RUSKIN PLACE ARTIST COLONY, SEASIDE
Artists include **Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Patrick Connolly, Skip Deems, Joyful Enriquez, Linda Kernick, Marian Pacsuta, Mary Redmann, The Salty Sparrow, Jenna Varney,** and **Krista Vind.** Call 850-837-3037 or visit **CulturalArtsAlliance.com** for more info.

THROUGH FEB. 14, 2020. ROSEMARY BEACH SCULPTURE EXHIBITION
The second biennial juried art show of contemporary outdoor sculpture along Scenic Highway 30A includes 16 sculptures by 16 artists. More at **rosemarybeachsculpture.com.**

AUG. 16. MELANIE MOORE'S "BOTANICAL DREAMSCAPES" AT ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, FORT WALTON BEACH
Join Ms. Moore starting at 7 PM for a one-woman show and art sale featuring contemporary and colorful watercolor explorations of the natural world.

AUG. 17. ADSO'S URBAN SKETCHERS
Meet at 9 AM in the parking lot of Cordova Mall in Pensacola. Sketching will take place inside, followed by lunch and discussion. For more info, email **bnhlly@gmail.com.**

AUG. 22. ADSO'S DRINK & DRAW
Meet at Juana's Pagodas in Navarre Beach at 6 PM to draw (and drink) whatever you like. For more info, email **bnhlly@gmail.com.**

OPENS SEPT. 1. SOUTH WALTON HIGH ART STUDENTS EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH
Dr. Vivian Komando's AP art students (grades 9-12) display their work for the month of September. South Walton High School had a 100 percent pass rate on its 2019 AP Studio Art Portfolios for the 32 students that submitted portfolios to the College Board.

SEPT. 14. ADSO ARTISTS' STUDIOS TOUR AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH
Beginning at 9 AM, participants will carpool to five different studios in the FWB area, where they will meet the artists, see their spaces, and learn how they work. The tour will end at approximately 3 PM at ADSO with refreshments and door prizes. And, yes, there will be a lunch break in there somewhere.

Cost is $25 ($20 for ADSO members). Space is limited, so make your (paid) reservation by **Sept. 1.** Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

ART GALLERIES

ADARO ART features works from 2015 South Walton Artist of the Year Juan Francisco Adaro, as well as other well-known local and international artists. Open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. Now located in the Shops at the Hub, 7000 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Suite 21, Watersound, 561-985-5767. Email **adaro.art@gmail.com** or visit **adaroart.com** for more info.

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CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY features the art of South Walton's 2018 Artist of the Year **Kathleen Broaderick**. Browse Kathleen's original oil paintings in the gallery or take a boutique paint class in Kathleen's studio. Kathleen offers oil painting workshops featuring her energetic, loose and colorful style, as well as acrylic paint classes for artists and non-artists alike. The CHROMA Studio & Gallery is a place where guests will feel comfortable expressing themselves and finding joy in art. CHROMA is located at 3925 West County Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach (just west of Goatfeathers restaurant). Visit **www.CHROMA30A.com** or call 1-844-5-CHROMA for more information.

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THE JUSTIN GAFFREY GALLERY features the coastal contemporary paintings and sculptures of local artist Justin Gaffrey. Visit the gallery to browse through Justin's coastal landscape, floral, and still-life paintings or stroll through the sculpture garden to view the various welded steel sculptures. Justin is most recognized for his heavily textured, heavy bodied acrylic, palette knife paintings of the local landscape, florals, and wildlife. The Justin Gaffrey Gallery is located at 21 Blue Gulf Drive along Scenic highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Visit **justingaffrey.com** or stop by the gallery Monday through Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM. Follow the Justin Gaffrey Gallery on Facebook and Instagram to see Justin's most recent creations.

MARY HONG GALLERY Located in Grayton Beach (Shops of Grayton), Destin (next to Ulta and Michael's), Nashville (4th and Union next to DoubleTree Hotel) and on Magazine Street in New Orleans. Mary Hong, the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year, has been featured in over 10 publications and has appeared on *Emeril's Florida* TV show and HGTV's *House Hunters*. Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at The Shard Shop, located adjacent to or inside her gallery locations. Classes are offered four to five times a day, and there is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Grayton Beach gallery open seven days a week, 9:30 AM-5 PM 850-231-1416. **MaryHongStudio.com.**

THE SHARD SHOP open seven days a week, 9:15 AM-4 PM. 850-231-0544. **ShardShop.com/Grayton.** Destin gallery and Shard Shop open seven days a week, 9 AM-7 PM. 850-842-4440. **ShardShop.com/Destin.**

MATTIE KELLY ART GALLERIES AT NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE The Arts Center Galleries at Northwest Florida State College in Niceville encompass two galleries showcasing 20 different international, national and regional exhibitions yearly, which are unique to this region. Viewing hours are Monday through Thursday, 10 AM to 4 PM. Visit **www.mattiekellyartscenter.org** or call 850-729-6044.

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CALL TO ARTISTS

Arts and Design Society's "Assemblage Show"
ADSO is calling on all artists to participate in the show, which runs **Sept. 4-27.** All art, in any media, must consist of two or more unrelated objects combined in one piece of art. Cash awards! Turn in work Tuesday, **Sept. 3,** 9 AM-noon. Copy of entry form and additional details at **artsdesignsociety.org.**

Northwest Florida Fair Fine Arts Show for Adults and Students
ADSO invites all artists to participate in the show, happening **Sept. 24-28.** Cash awards! Turn in work Friday, **Sept. 20,** noon-5 PM, and Saturday, **Sept. 21,** 9 AM-noon. Entry fee for adults is $30 per piece, up to five pieces; for high school and middle school students, $2 per piece, up to five pieces. Northwest Florida State College Professor of Fine Arts **Stephen Phillips** will judge the adult art. Visit **artsdesignsociety.org** for a copy of the entry form, and call 850-244-1271 for more info.

Congratulations, Jim Eustace! His photograph "Reaching Out" took first place in the Arts and Design Society's recent "Primarily Red" show. Other honorees included Ruta, second and third place for her respective oil paintings "Life Self Portrait" and "Red Self Portrait"; Dale Palmer, honorable mention for his photograph "Guitar"; Anne Johnston, honorable mention for her acrylic painting "Nature's Grandeur"; and Rick Otoupalik, honorable mention for his mixed media creation "Red Square."

Photo submitted by Tuny Jennings.

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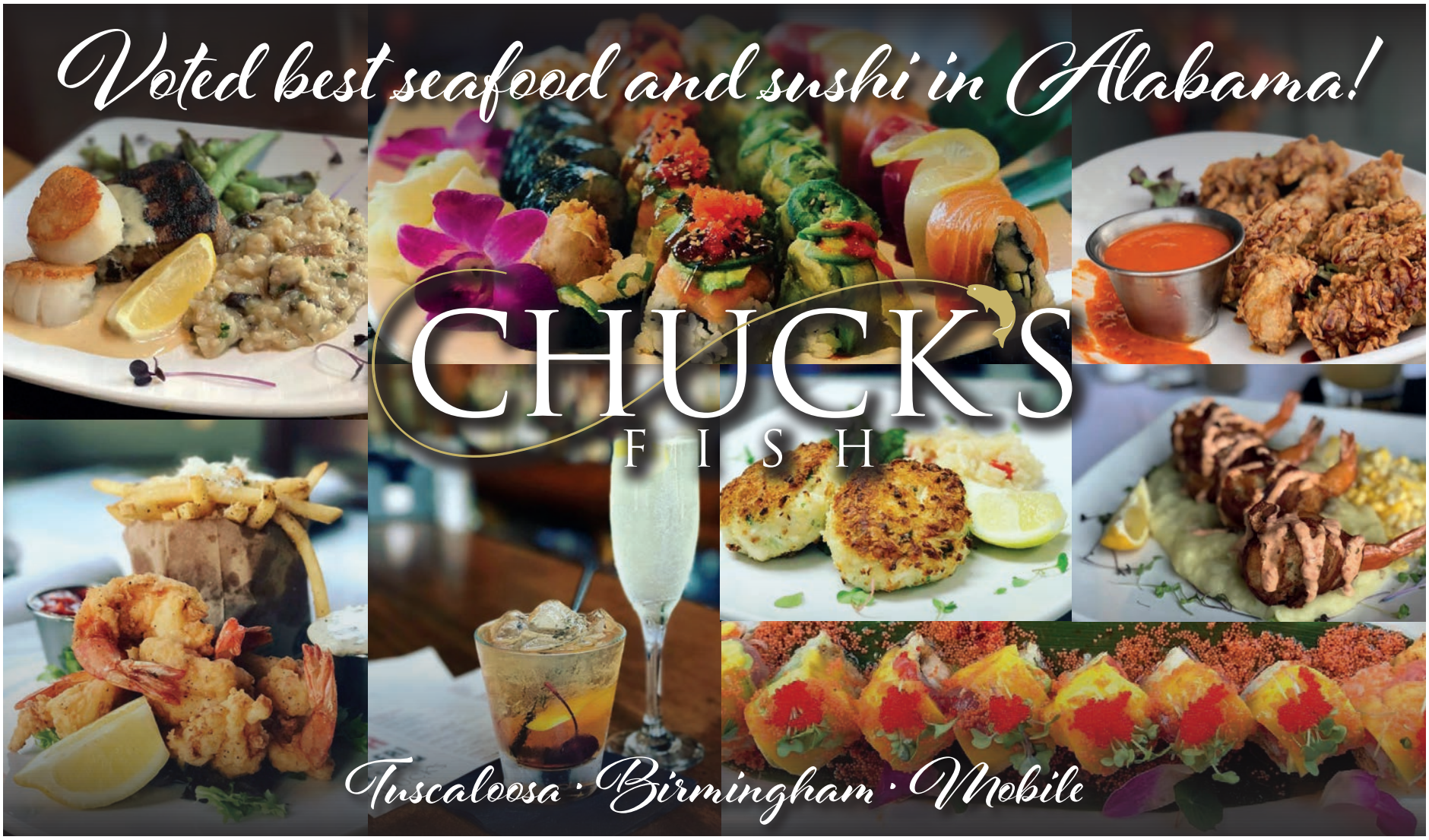

Remembering Hans McMinamin

By Joe Fuller

In the early oughts of this century, I played the Friday happy hour show at a Destin restaurant/ nightclub called Blues.

I liked the gig. All I had to do was provide background piano and be pleasant to the patrons.

One night, just as I was starting the last set of my shift, a woman walked up to my keyboard and said, "Hi, my name is Susan. My fiancé Hans and I came here for dinner but stayed to listen to you."

That's when I first noticed the man standing next to her. I acknowledged him with a nod.

She continued. "He's an amazing guitarist from Germany and he'd like to sit in with you tonight."

Hans said, "I can get my acoustic from the car. If you don't mind?"

I didn't mind. He seemed a nice guy. I liked his accent, and he was shorter than me.

His girl obviously loved him.

Besides, I thought. *How bad a picker can he be?*

He plugged in, tuned up, and we started. Forty-five minutes later, I told Hans, "That's the best set of music I've ever played. And, it's all because of you."

He laughed and said, "The piano player had something to do with the magic. Don't forget him."

Hans didn't forget me. He came by every time he was in town.

Then he moved to the states and, for approximately a decade, we worked as a duo and I played keyboard in a couple of his "American bands."

Hans told great stories about touring Europe and backing Sunnyland Slim, Katie Webster and Rick Derringer. In fact, one year, Hans arranged for Rick to share the bill with Pat Travers at our local Club LA.

And Hans booked us to open for these rockers. I was excited.

Then, my feet started freezing. My throat felt tight and I was sick to my stomach.

I didn't want to do the show. I was out of my league.

I told Hans, "I'll just let you down on stage anyway. Might as well do it now when no one's watching."

Hans laughed and said, "No, you are going to do the show. I wouldn't ask you if I thought you were going to fail me. You are doing the show."

I did the show. I even played "Rock and Roll Hoochie Koo" with Hans, Rick Derringer and his band.

I had a good time.

Afterwards, I told Hans, "If I had bailed on you, I would've never realized Derringer is shorter than both of us."

We laughed a lot, Hans and I. He opened his house to me and I spent a lot of time there.

He loved his family. He was absolutely devoted to his wife and child.

After that first decade, other commitments and unexpected events made our gigs and social time together dwindle to almost nothing. We didn't talk to each other for months. Once, it was over a year between hellos.

But I was always telling somebody about him. No less than once a week, every week, in glowing terms, I made mention of Hans.

Then, three years ago, thanks to Franko "Washboard" Jackson, Hans and I were together again for a couple of weeks at Stinky's Fish Camp. We played a show or two with Franko the next year.

The last time I saw him was when he filled in for an Emerald Coast Blues Brothers guitarist in, I think, 2018.

He wasn't feeling well, just out of the hospital, but when asked to play the last song of the evening, he chose "The Thrill Is Gone."

Words can't describe. I wish everyone in the world had been there.

One day, years ago, Hans said, "Joe, we are friends. Friends. We have this communication that is constant. We can live in different towns, different countries, on different planets, fail to meet or talk for eons and still, inside, we will know each other completely. We won't have to 'catch up.'"

So, when we meet again, I won't have to tell him that he was my Dr. John, Dave Bartholomew, Lil' Buck and Art Neville all rolled into one. I won't have to tell him that his faith in me made me believe in myself as a musician. I won't have tell him how deeply I respect and love him. How I've treasured our time spent on this earth together, I won't have to tell him.

I guess that's why I'm telling you.

Upon hearing of his passing, Billy Garrett stated, "Hans was a Giant."

Yes, he was. Bigger than a dozen JoE Fingas and Rick Derringers stacked on top of each other.

Beachcomber Music Awards #11 Set for Monday, Aug. 26... Call in Sick Tuesday, Aug. 27!

In case you've been living on Mars for the last few months, a friendly reminder that ***Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11*** will take place Monday, **Aug. 26,** at Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar on Okaloosa Island. Doors open at 6:30 PM, but you can get their as early as you like if you want to help us set up.

A special meet and greet with this year's nominees will happen Monday, **Aug. 19,** starting at 6:30 PM, downstairs at Harbor Docks in Destin. Musicians, bizzers, fans and stalkers are all encouraged to stop in and buy this year's nominees (and me) a drink or three.

Once again, congratulations to this year's nominees. Thanks to our award sponsors, performers, co-hosts and presenters, too.

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BEST DRUMMER

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BEST COVER BAND/SOLO ACT

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BEST DANCE BAND

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Black Eyed Blonde drummer Greg Mandel and his band are up for quite a few Beachcombers this year, but he's got bigger fish on his mind.

BEST DJ

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ALBUM OF THE YEAR

Sponsored by Fort Walton Vintage Records
Bryan Bludworth, Between Us
Billy Garrett, Everybody Eats When They Come to My House
Jessie Ritter, Coffee Every Morning

BEST ORIGINAL SONG

Sponsored by HarborWalk Village
Gold & Motion, "Lost & Found"
Jessie Ritter, "Meet Your Mother"
Will Thompson, "One of These Days"

BEST INSTRUMENTALIST

Al Alvarado
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BEST MUSIC EVENT OF THE YEAR (OCT. 2017-APRIL 2019)

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Rock 4 a Cure 2019 – The Block, Fort Walton Beach
The 2018 Beachcomber Music Awards – Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island

BEST MUSIC VIDEO

Bob Cushing, "Somehow We Survived It All"
Billy Garrett, "Everybody Eats When They Come to My House"
Gold & Motion, "Organic Love"

BEST METAL ARTIST

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BEST PERCUSSIONIST

Steve Ferry
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BEST TRIBUTE ACT

Emerald Coast Blues Brothers
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BEST NEW ARTIST

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Bob Cushing
Horseshoe Kitty
Jessie Ritter

HALL OF FAME

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Upcoming Music Releases

AUG. 16

Rodney Crowell, *Texas**
Hammerfall, *Dominion**
Drew Holcomb & the Neighbors, *Dragons**
The Hold Steady, *Thrashing Thru the Passion*
Ikebe Shakedown, *Kings Left Behind***
Killswitch Engage, *Atonement**
Tracy Lawrence, *Made in America**
Lillie Mae, *Other Girls**
Lionel Richie, *Hello from Las Vegas**
Bobby Rush, *Sitting on Top of the Blues**
Sleater-Kinney, *The Center Won't Hold***
Spoon, *Everything Hits at Once: The Best of Spoon**
Third World, *More Work to Be Done*
Frank Turner, *No Man's Land**

AUG. 23

Vince Gill, *Okie**
Arlo Guthrie, *Alice's Restaurant (50th Anniversary Edition)**
Ty Herndon, *Got It Covered*
Jay Som, *Anak Ko***
Midland, *Let It Roll**
Coco Montoya, *Coming in Hot*
Robert Randolph & the Family Band, *Brighter Days**
Redd Kross, *Beyond the Door**
The Rembrandts, *Via Satellite**
The Rubinoos, *From Home**
Raphael Saadiq, *Jimmy Lee**
Taylor Swift, *Lover*
Tanya Tucker, *While I'm Livin'**

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ELEW Plays Rosenwinkel - Cubism

Heartcore Records

Jazz pianist ELEW (a/k/a Eric Robert Lewis) likes to stray from the boundaries. From sideman duties for the likes of Wynton Marsalis and JLCO, Roy Hargrove, Esperanza Spalding and other jazz notables, he leaped into "rock jazz" and pop music. He plays piano without a bench, occasionally reaching in to pull the strings. ELEW is also given to interpretations of well-known artists' work. On *Cubism*, his subject is guitar legend Kurt Rosenwinkel. Rosenwinkel is known for his extensive and intricate use of layered electronic effects. Interestingly, ELEW employs only a solo piano, finding all he needs there, simplicity meeting complexity.

- Bruce Collier

Jazz at Lincoln Center with Wynton Marsalis

Jazz and Art

Blue Engine Records

Wynton Marsalis and Jazz at Lincoln Center Orchestra (JLCO) joined for this studio recording of 10 tracks, inspired by modern and not-so-modern artists. The pieces are musical interpretations and appreciations—the list of artists includes Stuart Davis, Winslow Homer, Piet Mondrian, Norman Lewis, Romare Bearden, Wilfredo Lam, and Sam Gilliam. Most of these men were painters, many were African-American or Latino. Even a brief check over their works shows bright, sometimes glaring color, bold, dramatic composition, and full-blooded vitality—sorta like jazz itself. Marsalis solos on several pieces, variously written by Bill Frisell, Doug Wamble, Vincent Gardner, and others.

- Bruce Collier

Precubed

Floors

Independent

Pensacola's Precubed evolves in a big way with *Floors*. Less post-rock and more electro-pop seems to be the simplest way to encompass the new direction. But for longtime fans, the biggest surprise will be the addition of vocals—honest to goodness vocals. There is something about the tone and production of the vocals combined with a move beat-heavy style that helps *Floors* find a foot in both the past and future directions of indie electronic music.

- Nikki Hedrick

Jenny Scheinman & Allison Miller

Parlour Game

Royal Potato Family

Indie jazz violinist Jenny Scheinman joins with indie jazz drummer Allison Miller, with Carmen Staaf on piano and Tony Scherr on acoustic bass, for *Parlour Game*. This was my first encounter with Miller, but I've always liked Scheinman, whose tireless command of her music conjures up folk, swing, reflective strolls, abandoned festival dancing, and anything else imaginable from a stringed instrument. There's some tremendous riffs and trade-offs here, some funky fiddle and piano groves, and lots o' fun. At the time of this review, the quartet was preparing to play at Newport Jazz Festival. Oh, to be in Rhode Island.

- Bruce Collier

The Superelevators

Self-Titled

Independent

From just across the Florida-Alabama state line rolls this energetic three-piece explosion. Using unconventional genre designations like "punkblues" and "deathblues," the group delves into a bit of everything on their six-track debut. Slide guitar in a punk song? Punk vocal delivered over an electrified blues song? Perhaps it's simply southern-fried punk rock that has more in common with the MC5 than modern pop-punk. It's gritty, tongue in cheek, and showcases how diverse they can be in their musical approach.

- Nikki Hedrick

EDITOR'S CHOICE
Creedence Clearwater Revival

Live at Woodstock

Craft Recordings

In 1969, CCR dropped not one or two but three classic LPs, so if they sound a little worn out and uninspired on their Peace and Love Fest set... just kidding. They kick ass.

- Chris Manson

Pause&Play (the music site)

Pauseandplay.com – Since 1997, P&P has been the definitive place for music fans to find out when a new album is coming out. Also stay up on the latest reissues and music-related DVD/Blu-rays and books. Elton John says he uses Pauseandplay.com to keep track of new music, and *Entertainment Weekly* has included it on its list of "The 100 Greatest Web Sites," one of only 17 music sites to be selected.

Live Music

Musicians and venues: Email **chris@beachcomberdestin.com** to get your gigs listed here.

THURSDAY, AUG. 15

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASIN' JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
KINGS COUNTRY, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
HAYES & HOWLAND, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach
Karaoke, 8-10 PM

BUSTERS HANGAR 67, Panama City Beach
DAVID GOLDFLIES Presents "A Night on the Road" Featuring the Music of the Allman Brothers Band and More, 8:30 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com
ALL THAT AND A BAG OF CHIPS, 7 PM
Throwback Thursday with your favorites from the '90s.

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
GYPSY PEARL, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM
Ladies Night

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
MYKE VAN NESS, 6-9 PM

VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
MAC SABBATH with OKILLY DOKILLY

FRIDAY, AUG. 16

AJ'S, Destin
GOOD 'NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
KINGS COUNTRY, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
GROUP THERAPY, 7-11 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
CONJUGAL VISIT, 8-11:59 PM

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach
Open Mic Night with COLE JORDAN, 8 PM

CHIZUKO, Pensacola
DEAR SILAS, 8 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CADILLAC WILLY, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

JETTY EAST, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
HOWLIN' JACK, 5 PM

MODICA MARKET, Seaside
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
HALL FAMILY BAND, 7:30-10:30 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SLICK MICK'S, Fort Walton Beach
BRANDON DAY, 6:30-9:30 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
FLASH FLOOD, 6-9 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
Jazz with BENGHAZI GRESHAM, 6-9 PM

VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
DRIVIN N' CRYIN

WAREHOUSE 360, Santa Rosa Beach
SHANE D'FURY
Mr. D'Fury celebrates the release of his new album Feelin' Irie. *A portion of the $15 cover charge will go to local charities.*

SATURDAY, AUG. 17

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
KINGS COUNTRY, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
CONJUGAL VISIT, 8-11:59 PM

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
GUNNER

ELKS LODGE, Okaloosa Island
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM
Steak night from 6 to 7 PM.

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
LUCKY STRIKE RETROS, 8 PM

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
MIXTURE, et al., 10 PM
It's Mixture's Soul of a Man *LP release party!*

HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com
THE SHAKEDOWN, 7 PM
Rock the Docks

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

LJ SCHOONER'S, Bluewater Bay
GROUP THERAPY, 6-10 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
JAY WILLIAMS, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

SLICK MICK'S, Fort Walton Beach
THE TWO HOODOOS, 6:30-9:30 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
MICHAEL BETHEA, 6-9 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
APPETITE FOR DESTRUCTION

SUNDAY, AUG. 18

AJ'S, Destin
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 4 PM
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
GROUP THERAPY, 6-10 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 6 PM

HOOKS AT THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM
Sunday Funday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
RONNIE PRESLEY, 5 PM

POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach
Ukulele Party with SILVIA MADRIAGA, 6-9 PM

STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

MONDAY, AUG. 19

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Blues Jam, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
BOUKOU GROOVE, 5 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalmar, 850-651-5100
ALEXA BURROUGHS, 6-9 PM

VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

TUESDAY, AUG. 20

AJ'S, Destin
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM
Taco Tuesday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
JIMMY LUMPKIN DUO, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

Live Music

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21

AJ'S, Destin
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
GOOD 'NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
Open Mic Night, 7-9 PM

FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
JIMMY LUMPKIN DUO, 5 PM

THE PERFECT PIG, WaterColor
BOB CUSHING, 6-9 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com
NIC TURNER BAND, 7-9 PM
Wednesday Night Concert Series

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
BIZZY BONE's Carbon Monoxide Tour with YBL SINATRA and BLOODLINE HARMONY

THURSDAY, AUG. 22

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BLACKBERRY BREEZE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
HAYES & HOWLAND, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
JESSIE RITTER, 5-9 PM

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach
Karaoke, 8-10 PM

THE BEACH HOUSE, Miramar Beach
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
DINO LOURDI, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM
Ladies Night

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
HERITAGE DUO, 6-9 PM

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
SISTER HAZEL

FRIDAY, AUG. 23

AJ'S, Destin
GOOD 'NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BLACKBERRY BREEZE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8-11:59 PM

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach
Open Mic Night with COLE JORDAN, 8 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

HOOKS AT THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
LEFTY COLLINS, 5 PM

MODICA MARKET, Seaside
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

PROPS ALE HOUSE, Niceville
DONNIE MORGAN, 7-10 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
TBA, 7:30-10:30 PM

Congratulations to longtime friend of Beachcomber Bobby van Deusen, who recently won the World Championship Old Time Piano Competition in Oxford, Mississippi. Bobby competed against eight other piano players in the Senior Division and took first place honors. He performs regularly at Seagar's in Miramar Beach and the District Steakhouse in Pensacola, in addition to touring with his group The Prime Time Trio.

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SLICK MICK'S, Fort Walton Beach
PARADISE BAYOU, 6:30-9:30 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30AVENUE, Inlet Beach
KING FISH, 6-9 PM

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalimar, 850-651-5100
JUSTIN ROGERS, 6-9 PM

VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

SATURDAY, AUG. 24

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ BOOM, 8 PM
BLACKBERRY BREEZE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 8-11:59 PM

BOATHOUSE OYSTER BAR, Destin
GUNNER

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
BISCUIT MILLER & THE MIX, 8 PM

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

JIMMY BUFFETT'S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

JIMMY'S JUKEBOX, Fort Walton Beach
DONNIE MORGAN, 9 PM-1 AM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
RICK WILSON, 5 PM

POMPANO JOE'S, Miramar Beach
ROB ROMANS, 2 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SLICK MICK'S, Fort Walton Beach
JORDAN BALLANTYNE, 6:30-9:30 PM

SUNDESTIN RESORT, Destin
DONNIE MORGAN, 1-5 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola
TESSA VIOLET

SUNDAY, AUG. 25

AJ'S, Destin
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

HOOKS AT THE OTHER END, Destin
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM
Sunday Funday

Live Music

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
CADILLAC ATTACK, 5 PM

STINKY'S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach
THE STEENOS with FRANKO "WASHBOARD" JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

MONDAY, AUG. 26

AJ'S, Destin
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11 with AL ALVARADO – ALY BOCKLER – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – BOB CUSHING – BRANDON DAY – DJ SNAP – FINGA FAYA – NIK FLAGSTAR – BILLY GARRETT – CHRIS HAYES – CHRIS MANSON – DONNIE MORGAN – TIM AND RUSTY MORINELLI – OBLIQ THE ARCHITECT – WOOFY RAMONE – JESSIE RITTER – THE STRANGERS OF ELEVATED UNDERGROUND – SUPERFACED – MYKE VAN NESS – and More, 6:30 PM til ???

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
Blues Jam, 7 PM

GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
BOUKOU GROOVE, 5 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

TUESDAY, AUG. 27

AJ'S, Destin
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MARVIN LEE, 5-9 PM

CAMILLE'S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

HOG'S BREATH, Destin
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM
Taco Tuesday

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
STICKY TOO, 5 PM

REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 28

AJ'S, Destin
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)
GOOD 'NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM

FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight

HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin
ALVARADO ROAD SHOW, 5 PM

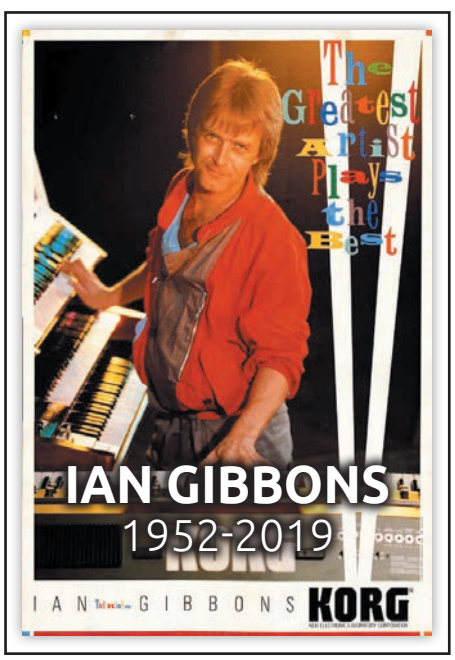
REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

RUTH'S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com
SCOTT ROCKWOOD BAND, 7-9 PM
Wednesday Night Concert Series



PET OF THE ISSUE

Annie

Submitted by Karen and Robert Emmanuel

Annie is a six-year-old Welsh Terrier that Karen and Robert rescued from Houston about three years ago.

"She loves her life in Sandestin, is an avid Barn Hunt competitor, and enjoys her almost daily golf cart rides," the proud parents tell Beachcomber. *"She's a very polite little lady."*

Submit your best friend(s) for a future Pet of the Issue feature!
Email **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

Wolf Preserve Commemorates Two Decades

Photo courtesy of Seacrest Wolf Preserve.

Seacrest Wolf Preserve celebrates their 20th year with a Full Moon Festival event Friday, **Aug. 16.** The overnight camping event quickly sold out, but they have a constant stream of events and tours available.

Seacrest Wolf Preserve began when founders Cynthia and Wayne Watkins were contacted by a Michigan Zoo to care for an abused captive wolf. Cynthia was no stranger to wolves, being an active conservationist and part of the Yellowstone Project to reintroduce wolves into the park.

That first rescue turned into several, with the goal of hands-on educational tours quickly becoming a reality.

"Today we are no longer a rescue facility, and all our wolves—except for two—were born here at Seacrest through our breeding program," writes **Dr. Alex Goodnight.**

With a whopping 10,000 visitors annually, the Preserve is only a short trek away from area beaches, nestled in the quiet town of Chipley.

"We truly believe that the value of our educational programs lies in the hands-on experience our visitors have with the Seacrest Wolf Ambassadors. It is our hope that all our visitors, from all walks of life, form personal connections with our Wolf Ambassadors," writes Dr. Goodnight.

"We hope these connections cause our visitors to learn about and reflect on their own relationships with nature, leading them to become proactive in wolf and wildlife conservation."

Learn more—and schedule your visit—at **www.seacrestwolfpreserve.org.**

- Nikki Hedrick

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your Aug. 29 and beyond events by 5 PM Thursday, **Aug. 22,** *or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email* **chris@beachcomberdestin.com**.

THURSDAY, AUG. 15

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

THROWBACK THURSDAY
HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9 PM
HarborWalkVillage.com
All That and a Bag of Chips perform your favorite '90s music on the main stage, followed by fireworks and fire spinning show at 9.

SATURDAY, AUG. 17

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET
Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM
GrandBoulevard.com

LIVE BLACKSMITHING EVENT
Baker Block Museum, 1307 Georgia Avenue, Baker, 10 AM
www.blacksmithing.org
A FREE living history event featuring a short presentation about life in north Okaloosa County with an emphasis on the role of blacksmithing upon the county's development. Plus an inside tour of the museum's blacksmithing shop and a demonstration by the **Florida Artist Blacksmithing Association** (FABA).

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

PADDLE AT THE PORCH
Behind the Back Porch Seafood & Oyster House, Destin
PaddleAtThePorch.com

The eighth annual paddleboard spectacular offers races for all skill and age levels, beginning at 9 AM. Racer welcome party Friday, **Aug. 16,** at BOTE in Destin. Register at **paddleguru.com.**

SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET
Seaside, 8 AM
SeasideFL.com

Shelter House of Northwest Florida executive director Rosalyn Wik (second from left) accepts a $1,500 donation from the Emerald Coast Parrot Head Club (ECPHC) during its August monthly meeting. Also pictured—ECPHC board members Mary Bill and Mike Cinelli, treasurer Alan Bill, president Fitz Fitzgerald, secretary Debbie Garvey, and vice-president Becki Morris. The club has donated nearly $10,000 to area groups so far in 2019.
Photo submitted by Michael Cinelli.

Events

SUNDAY, AUG. 18

30A FARMERS MARKET
Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM
Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

MONDAY, AUG. 19

BEACHCOMBER MUSIC AWARDS CHAPTER 11 PRE-EVENT EVENT
Harbor Docks, Downstairs, Destin, 6:30 PM
BeachcomberDestin.com
Rub elbows with this year's nominees and have a drink or two.

HOOTENANNY WINE TASTING
Twisted Grape Café & Wine Bar, Shalimar
850-651-5100
Live music from **Alexa Burroughs.** Tasting reservations requested.

OKALOOSA LGBTQ+ DEMOCRATIC CAUCUS MONTHLY MEETING
Democratic Headquarters, 1270 Eglin Parkway Suite C-10, Shalimar, 6:15 PM
Make your voice heard.

TUESDAY, AUG. 20

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21

LADIES' NIGHT
Camille's at Crystal Beach, Destin
www.CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com
Half off drinks for the ladies! Two bucks off sushi rolls!

THURSDAY, AUG. 22

BUBBLY BAYTOWNE
The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 5-7 PM
BaytowneWharf.com
FREE champagne for 21 and ups and irresistible shopping opportunities.

GERMAN WINE PAIRING DINNER
Twisted Grape Café & Wine Bar, Shalimar
850-651-5100
Reservations required.

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
850-689-5850
Locally grown produce and more.

SATURDAY, AUG. 24

GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET
Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM
GrandBoulevard.com

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Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
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ROLLER DERBY SINGLE HEADER
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, Doors Open at 6 PM, First Whistle at 7
www.panhandleunitedrollerderby.com
Tickets are $12 general admission, with discounts for military first responders—kids 10 and under FREE with paid adult. A portion of the bout proceeds will benefit **Emerald Coast Foundation.**

SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET
Seaside, 8 AM
SeasideFL.com

THIRTY-FOURTH SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION
Harbor Docks, Destin, 6 PM
All proceeds from the event benefit **Destin Harvest** and **Take a Kid Fishing.** To donate an item for the event, email **chris@destinharvest.org** or **Jackie@harbordocks.com.**

SUNDAY, AUG. 25

30A FARMERS MARKET
Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM
Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

MONDAY, AUG. 26

BEACHCOMBER MUSIC AWARDS CHAPTER 11
Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island
Honoring the area's musicmakers, with live performances by **Finga FAYA, Jessie Ritter, Chris Hayes, Bob Cushing, Brandon Day, Superfaced, Tareva Henderson Boone, The Strangers of Elevated Underground** and more.

TUESDAY, AUG. 27

OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET
Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM
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WEDNESDAY, AUG. 28

LADIES' NIGHT
Camille's at Crystal Beach, Destin
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Half off drinks for the ladies! Two bucks off sushi rolls!

THURSDAY, AUG. 29

BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS FUNDRAISER WITH DERRICK BROOKS
Hilton Sandestin, Miramar Beach, 6-9 PM
EmeraldCoastBGC.org

Mr. Brooks, a Pensacola native, is an NFL Hall of Famer and is widely considered to be one of the best linebackers of all time. An 11-time Pro Bowl selection and nine-time All Pro, he was named AP NFL Defensive Player of the Year in 2002 and earned a Super Bowl ring with the Tampa Bay Buccaneers in Super Bowl XXXVII.

General admission tickets are $125, and include admission to the event, a build-your-own-burger bar, drink ticket, and opportunities to bid on silent auction items. VIP tickets are $175, and include a meet and greet with Mr. Brooks.

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CADDYSHACK CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT
Emerald Bay Golf Course, Registration at Noon
HarborDocks.com
All proceeds benefit **Destin Harvest**'s food rescue and distribution operation and **Take a Kid Fishing.**

SUNDAY, OCT. 13

30A HALF MARATHON & 5K
Scenic Highway 30A
Register at **30Ahalf.com.** Deadline is **Sept. 28** for all runners.

FRIDAY, OCT. 18-SATURDAY, OCT. 19

ANIMORE, A FUNDRAISING WEEKEND FOR ALAQUA ANIMAL REFUGE
Future Alaqua Grounds on Highway 20, Freeport
Alaqua.org
An epic weekend celebration of and for the love of animals with a one-of-a-kind wine dinner, live music and more. More info to come. Don't miss this one!

From left—Lee Blakemore, Blackboard chief client officer and president of Global Markets; Dr. Nate Slaton, NWFSC vice-president of Student Success; Cole Allen, NWFSC chief information officer; Dr. Deidre Price, NWFSC director of Instructional Technology and Online Education; and Bill Ballads, Blackboard CEO.

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Beachside Worship Services

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH UECNA 1928 Book of Common Prayer Service, 10 AM Sundays, communion service second and fourth Sundays, morning prayer, first and third Sundays. 66 8th Street, Shalimar, 850-651-9800.

CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH Mass schedule (through Sept. 30)—Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM; Saturday, confessions from 4 to 4:30 PM, mass at 5 PM; daily mass Monday through Friday, 8 AM; First Friday Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM; First Saturday Mass, 8 AM Holy Days of Obligation, 8 AM and 6:30 PM 307 Beach Drive, Destin.

DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sundays – 7:30 AM beach services at Henderson Beach State Park; Crab Trap, Destin; Crab Trap, Okaloosa Island Boardwalk. Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at 9 AM. Contemporary Xalt service at 10:30 AM in the Destin Life Center. Traditional service in the Sanctuary at 11 AM. Sunset beach service at Henderson Beach State Park, 5:30 PM. **DestinUMC.org**.

FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 AM Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 PM Located at 306 S. Geronimo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN Sunday bible study at 9:15 AM, worship service at 10:30 AM, prayer and outreach at 5 PM. Wednesday service at 6:15 PM. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE Sunday services at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

GATHERING 151 Eglin Pkwy NE, Fort Walton Beach. **comegather.com**.

GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH Sunday services 8:45 AM (traditional worship) and 10 AM (contemporary worship). 4747 U.S. 98 West, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH Sunday worship service, 9:30 AM Sunday school for kids, confirmation class for youth, and adult bible study, 10:45 AM 4325 Commons Drive, Destin, 850-654-1679.

HOPE ON THE BEACH Beach worship at 8 AM at Ed Walline Beach, across from Gulf Place; and at Inlet Beach, at the Orange Street beach access. Worship at 9:30 AM at Shunk Gulley Oyster Bar, on the corner of 393 and 30A. And worship at 11 AM at our 98 Church Campus, at 3834 U.S. 98 W, Santa Rosa Beach. For more information, call 850-267-0322 or email **pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org**.

ISLAMIC DA AWA CENTER OF FWB 6 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-0373, **lavidaeterna.org.**

KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES 216 Jonquil Avenue NW, Fort Walton Beach.

MOSSY HEAD CHURCH OF CHRIST 657 Deshazo Road, Crestview, 850-951-0434, **mossyheadchurchofchrist.com**.

NAVARRE BEACHSIDE CHURCH Nondenominational Christian church service meets outdoors every Sunday at 9 AM in the Navarre Beach parking lot, located at 8579 Gulf Boulevard. Children's church provided, pets always welcome. Look for the white tents. 850-939-1533, **www.navarrebeachchurch.com**.

NICEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST Sunday bible study at 9 AM, worship at 10 AM. Sunday evening service, 5 PM. Mid-week bible study Wednesdays at 7 PM. 801 John Sims Parkway East, Niceville. 850-678-2911.

RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday vigil mass, 5 PM; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 AM; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 AM and 6 PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 AM; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 PM or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH Sunday school at 9:30 AM, worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 PM year round. Sunday services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 5 PM Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. **www.saintritaparish.org.**

SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY CHURCH Interdenominational service 10 AM Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

SHORELINE CHURCH Non-denominational Sunday services at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 AM Check out our new location at 140 Palmetto Street in Destin, in the old Nightown building. **www.shorelinechurch.net.**

ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH Service at 10 AM Sundays. 307 Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-650-2737

ST. MARKELLA & DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH Sunday service at 10 AM 400 Hwy. 98E, Mary Esther, 850-244-0822.

ST. SIMON'S ON THE SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH Sunday services at 8 and 10:30 AM and 5 PM 28 Hwy. 98W, FWB, 850-244-8621.

VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 AM 101 Matthew one block south of Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-837-8107.

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Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later: Robert's Story

By Carrie Hunter

A large group of people wait outside of Innovative Charities in Jackson County an hour before the food pantry opens. Rules for hurricane relief supplies and how to register are posted on the door.

Robert Arnold, the director of Innovative Charities, drives up in a truck pulling a large trailer. Several volunteers meet him and immediately start sorting food into bins. Four people set up a pop-up tent, and two kids from a local church volunteer setting up tables and setting out boxes of veggies.

The crowd increases in the time that the volunteers set up supplies. Most people in the line are elderly, but there are also a few young women with small children waiting. Many of these people experienced severe damage to their homes during the storm. One woman approaches us and says the vegetables and chicken she had frozen during the summer that normally would get her through the winter were destroyed during the storm. Many people in this region grow and preserve their own food and share with their neighbors, but power loss caused their frozen stores to perish.

Jackson County is one of the poorest areas of Florida. The people in line are white, black and Hispanic. Everyone needs help. Here at Innovative Charities, poverty is colorblind. One boy says, "Sometimes we have like 75 people. Sometimes we have like over 200."

Robert is a good-natured man with a kind smile. He wears a t-shirt from a religious organization, but isn't preachy. He says that since the storm they have significantly more people that need help. He is able to get enough food donations but is running low on essentials like beds, gasoline and building supplies.

He says they really could use a load of lumber and roofing materials. If he could request a type of donation, it would be gift cards to the local Walmart so they could go and get the supplies need when they run low. If he could get a flat of twin beds donated, he could place them quickly. Right now, the number one issue in the area is housing—many of the people he helps are living in tents or in homes that are damaged and many that are condemned. They need FEMA trailers, but many people have not received them.

One of the common aftermaths of the storm is more grandmothers are taking care of their grandchildren while their grown children go elsewhere to look for work. These grandparents are on fixed incomes and now have more mouths to feed.

Robert says the churches and local groups have been working hard to try to help since the storm happened, but many of these organizations are running low on resources. "The government's doing their usual governmental thing of bickering and fighting, and the news media has forgotten about us," he says.

He adds, "We're going to rebuild. It's going to take a long time."

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EDUCATIONAL

EMERALD COAST SCIENCE CENTER A unique museum allowing visitors to touch and use the exhibits, including optical illusions, a nature room and a wind tunnel. 31 SW Memorial Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-1261. **www.ecscience.org.**

FARMERS MARKETS

30A FARMERS MARKETS Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS' MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM
- **30A FARMERS' MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 AM-1 PM

GOLF

REGATTA BAY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB This award-winning 18-hole course offers an extraordinary golfing experience for players of all skill levels and was named one of *Golf Digest's* Top Places to Play. Equipment rental available. 465 Regatta Bay Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8080. **www.regattabay.com.**

SANTA ROSA GOLF & BEACH CLUB Referred to as the "Purest golf in the Florida Panhandle" by *Golf* Magazine, this 18-hole, par 72 course offers five sets of tees and a challenge for every skill level of handicap. Situated on 80 pristine acres in the heart of Santa Rosa Beach, this course has a unique character only found around the Highway 30A corridor. Holes three through five wind around a complex of dunes, all within a few hundred yards of the Gulf of Mexico. Dining, driving range, putting green and club rentals available. 334 Golf Club Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2229. **www.santarosaclub.com.**

MARINE PARKS/ AQUARIUMS

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MUSEUMS

DESTIN HISTORY & FISHING MUSEUM Open year round, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM Call for holiday hours of operation. Admission is $5 for adults, $4 for seniors and military and $3 for children. 108 Stahlman Avenue, Destin, 850-837-6611.

INDIAN TEMPLE MOUND MUSEUM Artifacts and displays showing the rich Indian history of this area. 139 Hwy. 98SE, FWB, 850-833-9595.

MUSIC STORES

FW VINTAGE RECORDS Full service record store with over 20,000 vintage vinyl records and new music releases on vinyl. Audio systems, CDs, cassettes, record cleaning supplies, posters, pins, phono cartridges. Gift certificates, rewards program and limited repair service for turntables, speakers and receivers. Open Mondays and Wed.-Sun., 11 AM-7 PM; Tuesdays, 11 AM to 4:30 PM. 217 Racetrack Road NW, Fort Walton Beach, 850-384-6654. **www.fortwaltonvintagerecords.com**

LEITZ MUSIC Guitars, bass, drums and keyboards, plus recording, DJ and PA equipment. Sales, repairs and lessons. Gibson, Fender, PRS, Taylor, Martin, Ibanez and more. Open Mon.-Sat. 10 AM-7 PM, Sundays noon-5 PM Located in Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 850-863-1099. **www.facebook.com/LeitzMusicFWB.**

PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children's playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

CAMP HELEN STATE PARK offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

CESSNA BAY Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK This park is named after one of Destin's early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

DUNE ALLEN In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

ED WALLINE A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped parking, picnic tables, restrooms and showers. Intersection of Hwy 30-A and CR-393.

EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK An historic homestead under majestic, moss-draped oaks with a home surrounded by lawns and seasonal gardens. Tours of the home are Thursday through Monday hourly beginning at 10 AM with the last tour at 3 PM The park and picnic areas are open daily from 8 AM to sunset and located on CR-395 north off Hwy 98 in Point Washington. Call 850-231-4214 for more information.

GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the AMenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

GRAYTON DUNES Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

GULF SHORE MANOR Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

GULFVIEW HEIGHTS Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather's restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

INLET BEACH This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

LEGION BAY Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

MARLER MEMORIAL PARK Public beach area, picnic tables, barbecue grills, boat ramp, restrooms and bathhouse. Bay side of Okaloosa Island, off Santa Rosa Blvd.

MIRAMAR BEACH ACCESS Parking with public beach access. Scenic Hwy 98 and Driftwood Road, adjacent to Pompano Joe's.

TOPSAIL HILL PRESERVE STATE PARK offers a wide variety of natural resources, including 3.2 miles of public beach access with majestic dunes over 25 feet tall. Our 1,600 acre preserve includes rare coastal dune lakes, old-growth long leaf pines and sand pine scrub, and a variety of wetlands offer a bird watching and hiking paradise. Visitors may bike, walk,or enjoy a quick ride to the beach on our timely tram service to swim, fish, sunbathe or beachcomb. Topsail Hill offers weekly ranger programs for all visitors to enjoy. A park store offers a variety of camping items, as well as souvenirs and bike, kayak, canoe and SUP rentals. Topsail Hill offers weekly ranger programs for all visitors to enjoy. Gregory E. Moore RV resort features a (non-heated) swimming pool and shuffleboard courts. Furnished bungalows are available for weekly stays. 7525 West County Highway 30A Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-8330. **www.floridastateparks.org/topsailhill.**

TUMBLING, ETC.

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DESTIN EAST PASS TIDE AND SUNSET CHART

8.15	Sunrise	6:13am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:28pm	High	10:52am
	Moon	99%	Low	9:17pm
8.16	Sunrise	6:13am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:27pm	High	11:25pm
	Moon	99%	Low	9:26pm
8.17	Sunrise	6:14am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:26pm	High	11:58pm
	Moon	98%	Low	9:27pm
8.18	Sunrise	6:15am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:25pm	High	12:34pm
	Moon	95%	Low	9:18pm
8.19	Sunrise	6:15am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:24pm	High	1:18pm
	Moon	90%	Low	8:54pm
8.20	Sunrise	6:16am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:23pm	High	3:52am/2:27pm
	Moon	84%	Low	9:51am/8:03pm
8.21	Sunrise	6:16am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:22pm	High	3:33am
	Moon	76%	Low	12:12pm
8.22	Sunrise	6:17am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:21pm	High	3:42am
	Moon	68%	Low	1:55pm
8.23	Sunrise	6:18am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:20pm	High	4:12am
	Moon	58%	Low	3:13pm
8.24	Sunrise	6:18am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:18pm	High	5:00pm
	Moon	48%	Low	4:22pm
8.25	Sunrise	6:19am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:17pm	High	6:01pm
	Moon	38%	Low	5:25pm
8.26	Sunrise	6:19am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:16pm	High	7:08am
	Moon	27%	Low	6:23pm
8.27	Sunrise	6:20am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:15pm	High	8:15am
	Moon	18%	Low	7:16pm
8.28	Sunrise	6:20am	TIDES	
	Sunset	7:14pm	High	9:18am
	Moon	10%	Low	8:04pm

Books

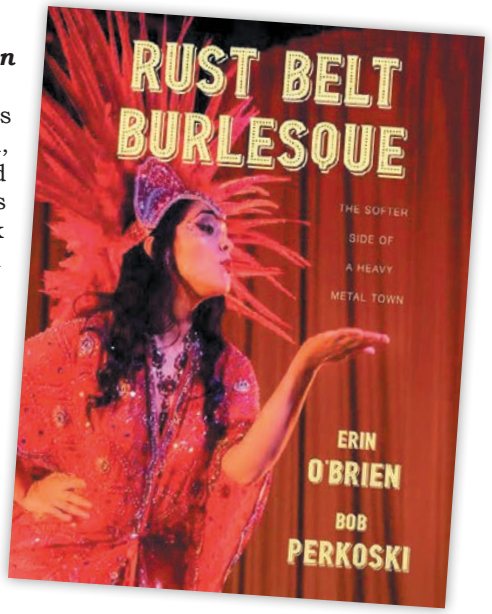
Recommended Reading

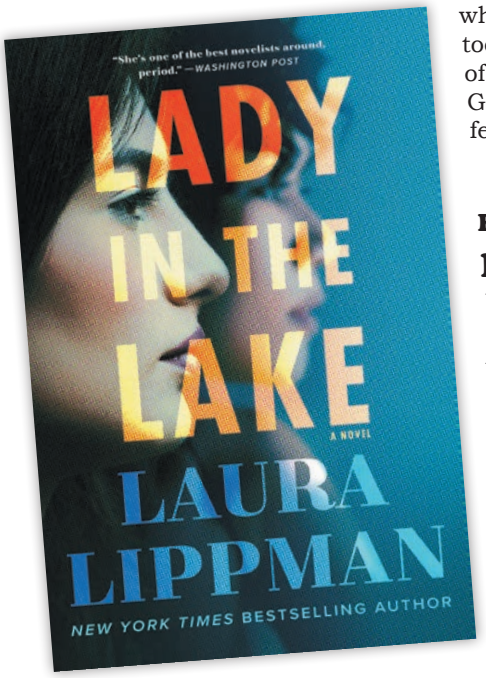
Erin O'Brien and Bob Perkoski

Rust Belt Burlesque – The Softer Side of a Heavy Metal Town
Swallow Press

Connoisseurs of all forms of theater, Clevelanders and Buckeyes in general, will enjoy *Rust Belt Burlesque*. It's a jam-packed read, loaded with old and modern photos, postcards, playbills and backstage shots chronicling one of Cleveland's many contributions to American culture—which include Superman and the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame. There's a concise history of Cleveland burlesque's 19th century rise and 20th century decline, currently in revival among all shapes, sizes, ethnicities, genders and tastes. As a former Daytonian, whose youthful eyes took in the marquees of all those downtown Gem City Burly-Qs, it felt like old times.

- Bruce Collier





EDITOR'S CHOICE

Laura Lippman

The Lady in the Lake
Faber & Faber

A wife and mom decides to reinvent herself at the ripe old age of 37 (!) in 1966 Baltimore and finds herself involved with the still-thriving newspaper business, as well as a pair of murders. Somehow, she makes time for a forbidden affair with a black police officer, too. Ms. Lippman knows even her most minor characters inside and out and never panders to cheap nostalgia. Good thing racism and sexism are behind us, right?

- Chris Manson

Upcoming Books

AUG. 16

Brian T. Atkinson, ***The Messenger: The Songwriting Legacy of Ray Wylie Hubbard***

AUG. 20

Mat Best, ***Thank You for My Service***

Will Birch, ***Cruel to Be Kind: The Life and Music of Nick Lowe***

Anthony T. Kronman, ***The Assault on American Excellence***

Greg Laurie and Marshall Terrill, ***Johnny Cash: The Redemption of an American Icon***

Alex North, ***The Whisper Man***

Preston & Child, ***Old Bones.*** First book in the Nora Kelly series.

AUG. 27

James Ball, ***Pop Science: Serious Answers to Deep Questions Posed in Songs***

Talib Kweli, ***Vibrate Higher: A Rap Story***

David Lagercrantz, ***The Girl Who Lived Twice: A Lisbeth Salander Novel***

Malcolm McLaren, ***Malcolm McLaren: The Autobiography***

Louise Penny, ***A Better Man: A Chief Inspector Gamache Novel***

Danielle Steel, ***The Dark Side***

Sources: Amazon.com, Pauseandplay.com

Book Clubs

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21

ALL ABOUT BOOKS
Mary Esther Public Library, 10 AM
850-243-5731

THURSDAY, AUG. 22

MYSTERY BOOK CLUB
Mary Esther Public Library, 3:30 PM
850-243-5731

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
The Art Center, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM
Artsdesignsociety.org
The group meets in the clay studio. Call 850-244-1271 for title of book to be discussed. All are welcome to attend.

If your book club isn't listed here, it's because you forgot to send us the info. Make things right by emailing **chris@beachcomberdestin.com!**

Review: "Stories" Falls Short on Grownup Scares

Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark
Directed by Andre Ovredal
In Theaters

For '80s and '90s kids, *Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark* were must-own books. I had all three original books complete with the original artwork, up until some point when my teenaged self sold them at a yard sale.

Recently I replaced the books, and it's interesting to revisit the stories, which are built around a simplistic style of storytelling. Most of them are no more than a page long, and not much is known beyond the character's name and their demise.

The original books were simple, written for kids in such a way that they were meant to be read aloud around the campfire. These were not sweeping tales, epics, or full worlds. Without the original artwork of immersive ink drawings that captured readers' imaginations, the series probably would have faded in popularity instead of taking hold of our psyches.

Taking this series of unconnected short stories and making them into a movie isn't a simple task. We're not working with well-rounded Stephen King style characters, but with these little chunks and nuggets about cursed individuals. It's no surprise that the movie version of *Scary Stories* can only lean on the source material so much.

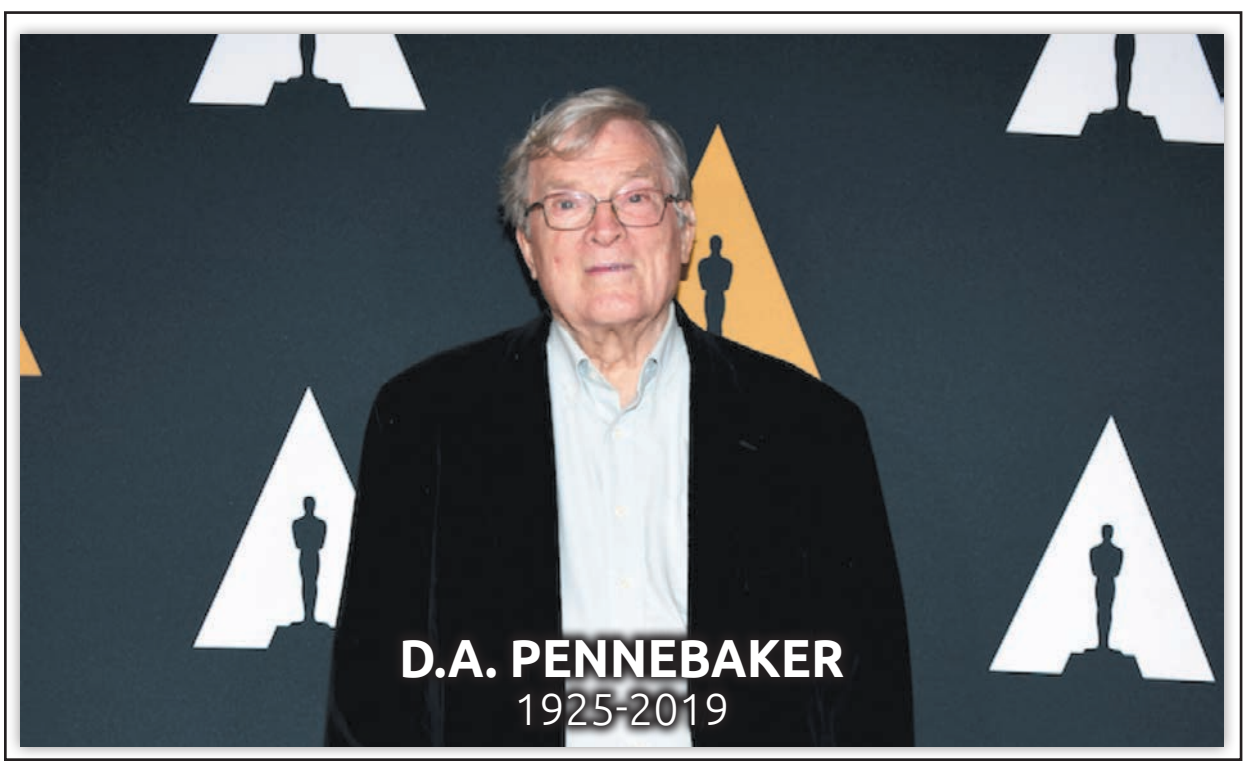
Maintaining a PG-13 rating and shying from blood and most graphic content, the primary goal of the flick is in bringing those ink drawing monsters to the big screen. The vast majority of the special effects and monsters are practical—there is very little CGI at play here. They are grounded in reality and grounded in the source material. The shining stars of the film are unquestionably the monsters.

I walked out of the theater wishing the stories would have been presented in more of an anthology

format, something like a grownup *Are You Afraid of the Dark?* Instead, it feels like part of the *Stranger Things* universe. The movie centers on kids going up against the supernatural, and I was hoping for less *Goosebumps* and more *Tales from the Crypt.*

Logically, those creative choices make sense—the source material was written for children. But as an adult, I had hoped for a little more.

- Nikki Hedrick



LOCAL FILM SCREENINGS

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5

KEN BURNS' "COUNTRY MUSIC"
WSRE Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio, Pensacola, 7 PM
WSRE.org

WSRE invites the public to advance screenings of Ken Burns' new documentary, coming to PBS stations this fall.

A 45-minute screener of the 16-hour film series will be shown. Guests are encouraged to arrive early and stay late for bluegrass music performed by **The Gator Boys** starting at 6 PM and a panel discussion and audience Q&A following the film.

The panel discussion and Q&A features **J. Terryl Bechtol,** better known as Grand Ole Opry comedian T. Bubba Bechtol, Nashville songwriter and record producer **Rusty Budde,** Pensacola Beach Songwriters Festival Director **Reneda Cross, Ricky Lee Phelps** of the Kentucky Headhunters, and award-winning songwriter Mark Sherrill.

The documentary, directed by Mr. Burns and produced with his long-time collaborators Dayton Duncan and Julie Dunfey, chronicles country music's early days, from southern Appalachia's songs of struggle, heartbreak and faith to the rollicking Western swing of Texas, California's honky-tonks and Nashville's Grand Ole Opry. The film follows the evolution of country music over the course of the 20th century as it emerges to become "America's music."

Written by Mr. Duncan, *Country Music* explores crucial questions—What *is* country music and where did it come from?—while focusing on the biographies of the fascinating trailblazers who created and shaped it, from the Carter Family, Jimmie Rodgers, Bill Monroe and Bob Wills to Hank Williams, Patsy Cline, Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, Loretta Lynn, Charley Pride, Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton, Emmylou Harris, Garth Brooks and many more. Like the music itself, the film tells unforgettable stories of hardships and joys shared by everyday people.

The film to be shown at the advance screening events includes episode excerpts with Kathy Mattea, Holly Williams, Kris Kristofferson, Charley Pride, Harold Bradley, Carlene Carter, Dolly Parton, Merle Haggard, Garth Brooks, Rodney Crowell, Ketch Secor, Marty Stuart, Brenda Lee, Jimmy Dickens, Willie Nelson, Ray Walker, Trisha Yearwood, Elvis Costello, Jack White, Loretta Lynn, Rosanne Cash, Reba McEntire, Jeannie Seely, Billy Sherrill, Bobby Braddock, Eddie Stubbs, Hazel Smith, Vince Gill and Dierks Bentley.

Admission is FREE. Due to limited seating, registration at **wsre.org/CountryMusic** is requested.

For those on the east end of WSRE's coverage area, a second screening of *Country Music* will happen Sunday, **Sept. 8,** at 2 PM at Fort Walton Beach's Suds n Cinema.

- Mary Riker

Kite Film Fest Call for Submissions

The fourth annual Kite Film Fest will take place Saturday, **Nov. 9,** at Club LA in Destin. Submissions are currently open for the short film event.

"Who knew this wild idea would be approaching its fourth year?" says co-founder **Nikki Hedrick.** "The community outpouring of support has been incredible. Last year, we screened right at two-dozen short films, mainly from the area."

The mother-daughter team behind 850 Music & Entertainment, with support from Rock Destin and Club LA, launched Kite Film Fest in 2016. "Our goal is to create an event to highlight the local film community," says **Heather Hedrick.**

"For three years, we've been a part of many filmmakers seeing their projects on a theater-grade screen and sound system for the first time. It's always an honor to be a part of that."

The submission process is open until **Sept. 16.** Kite Film Fest prides itself on simple, inclusive rules that can be viewed at **www.KiteFilmFest.com.**

"We want Kite Film Fest to be a celebration," says Nikki. "We want to minimize roadblocks for participation for our local film community and the indie film community at large. It's why we are continuing the tradition of the festival being free to submit and free to attend."

The film festival is named in honor of their family surname, particularly Heather's parents Gilbert and Ellon Kite.

For more info, email **KiteFilmFest@gmail.com.**

- 850 Music & Entertainment

UPCOMING DVD/BLU-RAY/ VOD RELEASES

AUG. 16

Sextuplets. Marlon Wayans takes on six count 'em six roles in this new Netflix comedy.

AUG. 20

The Biggest Little Farm. Two dreamers and their beloved dog say goodbye to L.A. and hello to the countryside in this acclaimed documentary.

A Dog's Journey. Heartwarming follow-up to *A Dog's Purpose.*

The Hustle. Anne Hathaway and Rebel Wilson stick it to the men!

The Wild Pear Tree. A would-be novelist returns home to pursue his dream but has to deal with his gambling addict father.

AUG. 27

Apocalypse Now: Final Cut. Forty years later, the definitive version of Francis Ford Coppola's ridiculously overrated Vietnam flick.

Godzilla: King of the Monsters. Bradley Whitford, CCH Pounder, Kyle Chandler, Ken Watanabe, Vera Farmiga.

The Last Black Man in San Francisco. Danny Glover, Jimmie Falls, Mike Epps, Tichina Arnold.

Rocketman. The Elton John story in all its R-rated glory.

The Secret Life of Pets 2. Animated, and we're assuming Louis CK wasn't involved with this one.

Source: Metacritic.com

OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

AUG. 16

Blinded by the Light. Inspired by the inspiring music and words of Bruce Springsteen.

47 Meters Down: Uncaged. Corinne Foxx, Sistine Stallone, Sophie Nelisse, Brianne Tju.

Good Boys. Raunchy coming of age comedy in which pre-adolescent boys get involved with drugs, cops and terrified teenage girls.

The Informer. Clive Owen, Rosamund Pike, Joel Kinnaman.

Where'd You Go Bernadette. Cate Blanchett.

AUG. 23

Angel Has Fallen. Gerard Butler, Morgan Freeman.

Overcomer. A manufacturing town—and the local high school basketball coach—are threatened by a plant shutdown.

Source: Metacritic.com

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Stage > Upcoming Shows...and More

Kay Yarbrough (Miss Poppycock), Chris Manson (Colonel Custard), Ken Olson (Professor Prune) and Susan DeJesus (Miss Whitewash) in Act4Mystery's MURDER WITHOUT A CLUE.

SATURDAY, AUG. 31

ACT4MYSTERY'S "MURDER WITHOUT A CLUE"
Samuel's Roadhouse, Crestview, Seating at 6 PM, Dinner and Show at 6:30
Act4Mystery.com
Paula Hilton and her award-winning troupe invite you to Board Game Night…and someone is going to DIE!! With **Cynthia Bergquist, Joe Chase, Susan DeJesus, Ken Olson, Kay Yarbrough,** and *Beachcomber's* **Chris Manson** as "Colonel Custard." Cost is $38 for dinner, show, tax and gratuity. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for additional info.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 5- SATURDAY, SEPT. 7

"THE COMPLETE WORKS OF WILLIAM SHAKESPEARE (ABRIDGED)"
The REP Theater, Seaside, 7:30 PM
LoveTheREP.com
A fast-paced and absolutely hilarious ride through 37 of Shakespeare's plays in 97 minutes. Three manly men in tights with a boatload of props, wigs and outrageous costumes are on a mission—to completely bring you the magic, the genius, the towering grandeur that is the works of William Shakespeare. Join them as they blast their way through the canon of The Greatest English Playwright Who Ever Lived in one wild show that will leave you breathless and helpless with laughter.

Tickets are $30 ($24 for REP members). Additional performances through **Sept. 21.**

Vermouth – Out of the Liquor Closet and Into Your Glass

By Bruce Collier

You've seen it in bars. It generally travels in pairs, Red (Manhattans) and White (Martinis). Sometimes the labels are yellowed and the bottles dusty. You might never see the bartender use either. It's vermouth.

Vermouth is fortified, aromatized wine, meaning wine that's been spiked with a little alcohol and flavored with assorted herbs, roots, peels, barks, spices and whatever. It's relatively low in proof—between 14.5 and 22 percent alcohol by volume (ABV). It can be sweet, bitter, fruity, spicy, or peppery. Our ancestors loved it, and thought it was good for them—debatable.

The name "vermouth" was bestowed in the 18th century, from the German word for "wormwood," once a required ingredient, now most commonly associated with that Gothic tipple Absinthe.

Most vermouth comes from Europe, though the U.S. and Australia are making a start. The Continentals enjoy it chilled straight or on ice, with seltzer, and as an ingredient in a variety of both simple and fancy cocktails.

Vermouth is generally inexpensive. Once opened, it doesn't have a long shelf life. Even refrigerated—which it should be—experts say to drink it up in a month or two. The good news is that many vermouths are available in half-size (375 ml) bottles.

The other good news is you don't have to drink it by itself, there are plenty of drinks beyond the Manhattan/Martini Universe that incorporate vermouth.

Here's my take on six vermouths, some available locally, one I had to travel to Atlanta to find.

Dolin Rouge Vermouth de Chambery (France)
32 Proof (16 Percent ABV)
$12.99 for 750 ml
Chilled, neat. Color is dark amber, sherry-like. "Probably one of the best in the world!" So says the modest website. Nose is cherry pie filling and candied orange, with a little herbal mint at the end. Taste is juicy—intense cherry and dark berry, prune, a hint of root beer, but light-bodied. Peppery finish. Less sweet than you think it's going to be, more balanced. Like sniffing a Christmas candle or tasting really high-class preserves.

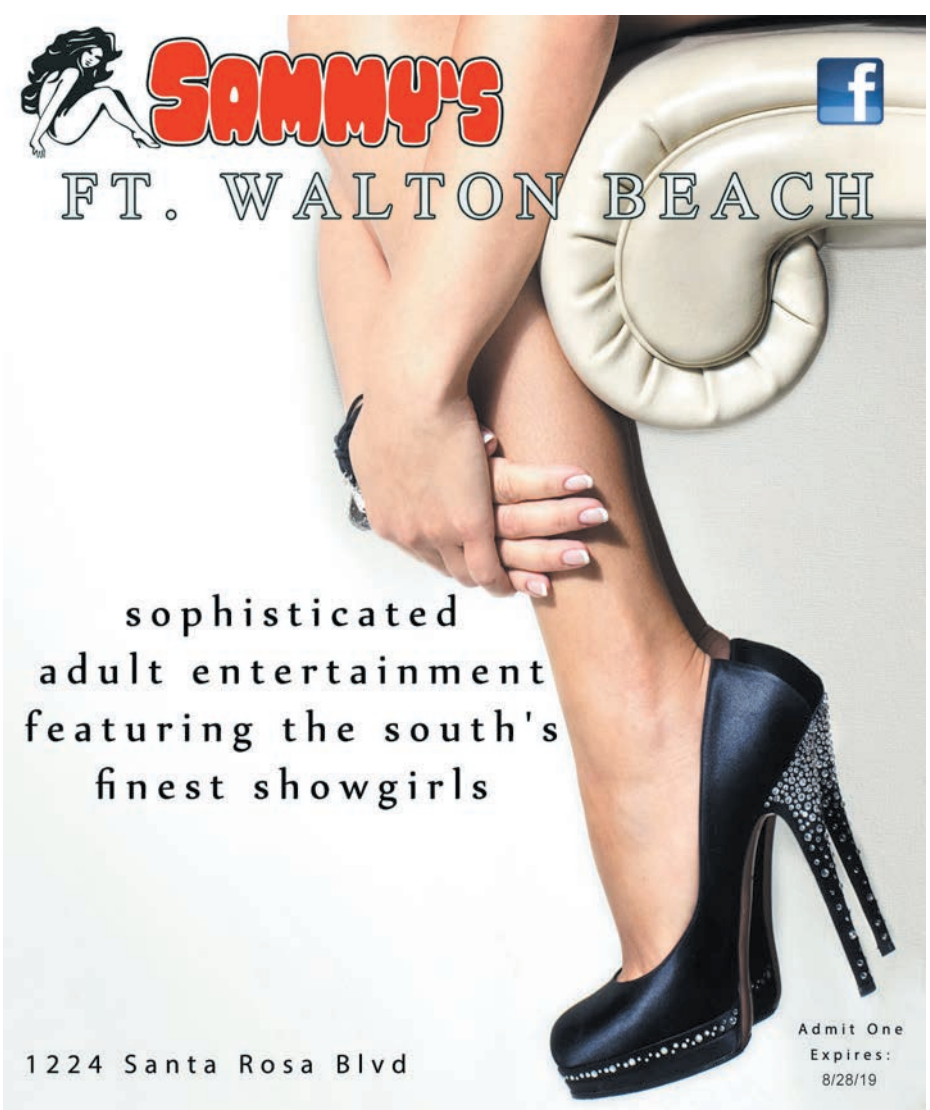
Noilly Prat Extra Dry (France)
36 Proof (18 Percent ABV)
$9.49 for 750 ml
Reportedly an 1813 recipe from the south of France. The vermouth of choice for serious Martini drinkers. Made from white wines blended with "Roman chamomile and gentian from France, bitter orange peels from Tunisia and nutmeg from Indonesia." Mild herbal scent, tea and bone-dry sherry. Fruity at first, then quickly dries and leaves that herbal/sherry finish, nutty and a little salty. Use enough in your Martini to taste it—gin is a hard act to accompany and this deserves a chance. The website recommends it on ice with a twist of lemon or topped up with soda or sparking white wine. Or a few drops on your opened oysters. *Ooh la la.*

Martini & Rossi Extra Dry (Italy)
30 Proof (15 Percent ABV)
$4.99 for 375 ml
More than 40 different herbs "from around the world." Chilled, neat. Pale white wine color. Mild and faint scent of lemon, pineapple and herbs. Lemon-drop candy taste, touch of brine, a little pepper at the finish to add warmth.

Carpano Punt e Mes (Italy)
32 Proof (16 Percent ABV)
$22.99 for 750 ml
If you like your Manhattans/Rob Roys on the not-so-sweet side with a touch of dried fruit, this is your vermouth. That said, it does not get lost, even against scotch in a Rob Roy. Made from "Hillside wine, sugar and mountain herbs." Tawny port color, tawny port and menthol nose. Sweet, and—wait for it—bitter just when it needs to be. Like bittersweet chocolate on the finish, plus a little warmth, Christmas candy, strawberry preserves, fruitcake with raisins, dried cherries and powdered sugar, dark chocolate covered maraschino cherries.

Carpano Antica (Italy)
33 Proof (16.5 Percent ABV)
$16.99-18.99 for 375 ml
"Rediscovered" recipe (from 1786) entered the market in 2001, brought vermouth out of the shadows. Cherry liqueur/ruby port color, fruity scent. Taste is dried apricots and cherries, plum jam, fruity sweet with a vanilla, nectarine and black pepper finish. Smooths a Manhattan, but don't overdo the proportions or it could dominate the drink.

D'Pampe (California, USA)
34 Proof (17 Percent ABV)
$24.99 for 750 ml
Poe Vineyards uses a Pinot Noir rose base for this grapefruit-flavored vermouth. Pale rose color, bright and fruity scent of grapefruit peel and bitter pith. Taste is sweet, with butter and—believe it or not—Cinnamon Toast Crunch, strawberry jam, full-body mouthfeel, almost like liqueur.



Restaurant Guide

If your favorite restaurant isn't listed here, let us know by dropping an email to us at **chris@beachcomberdestin.com!**

AMERICAN

BAXTER'S BAR & GRILLE is off the beaten path but well worth it. Great food and environment for all. Our burgers and deli meat are cut fresh daily, never frozen. Try our smoked wings or hand-tossed pizza. Great prices! Join us for your events or parties in our dining room. Several TVs, pool tables, darts. Karaoke Thursdays from 8 to 10 PM and live music/open mic with **Cole Jordan** Fridays at 8 PM. Cribbage Tuesday nights starting at 7. Veteran owned. 605 James Lee Road, Fort Walton Beach, 850-812-6868.

RESTAURANT PARADIS Nestled in the beautiful coastal town of Rosemary Beach, you'll find this hidden gem that loyal customers like to call home. Evoking a warm neighborhood feel, the dining area features an understated wine country elegance. Open for dinner beginning at 5 PM, Paradis is committed to serving fresh seasonal ingredients, which celebrate local produce and an abundance of fresh Gulf seafood, along with prime steaks and fine wines. Paradis welcomes wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, and all celebrations, both intimate and large. Come join us! Located at 82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach. Call 850-534-0400 or visit **www.restaurantparadis.com**.

SLICK MICK'S is a family-friendly sports bar and a locals' favorite. Home of the Slick Mick's Philly Cheesesteak, award-winning pizza and much more. Live music every Friday and Saturday, and a Sunday brunch that will knock your church socks off! Full football coverage—catch SEC, BIG 10 and NFL games, plus UFC fight nights. Kids eat FREE every Tuesday. Full bar with a variety of beers on tap. Daily happy hour, 3-7 PM. Can't make it in? That's okay, we have delivery. Veteran owned and operated, we are proud to serve our community and offer military discounts. 19 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-864-5577.

ASIAN

LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, AMong many others. Beer and wine. $2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

BAKERIES

CAKEMASTER'S BAKERY II Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, ragulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleons, French creampuffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

BARBEQUE

BACK BEACH BARBECUE offers a delicious yet refined menu highlighted by 12-hour slow cooked meats, simple homemade sides, gluten-free options and four sauces made special in house. At the center of attention are the restaurant's two wood fired pits, "Smokey" and "The Bandit," easily viewed and smelled from the covered patio, outdoor patio or via two garage doors which give the restaurant a true open-air feel. Back Beach Barbecue also offers catering for private and corporate events, delivery and a mobile food truck. The restaurant is open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, beginning at 6:30 AM. Located at 19714 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach. Call 850-249-0822 or visit **www.backbeachbarbecue.com**.

LILLIE'S Q Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-6 PM Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911.

BREAKFAST & MORE

CAMILLE'S CAFE Start your day with coffee and breakfast. We feature fluffy eggs, cinnamon rolls, apple pie muffins, fresh juice and smoothies. For lunch, enjoy our fresh caught tuna salad on an Asiago cheese bagel, Sriracha turkey sandwich or Mediterranean chicken salad sandwich. Plus all day Bloody Marys, mimosas, beer, and daiquiris made with fresh-squeezed juice. Join our party! 2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, 850-337-8860.

GRITS AND GRIND In 2011, a love affair between Memphis and the NBA Grizzlies began. With a Grit and Grind style of basketball, this southern team exemplifies hard work. Our owners bring the same commitment to hard work and fresh food at Grits & Grind, a breakfast establishment located in Seacrest Beach. We serve up a great southern breakfast and more, with friendly service in a fun atmosphere. Open daily, 7-11 AM. 10343 E Co. Hwy. 30A, Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021. **gritsandgrindbreakfast.com**.

THE LOCAL MARKET Open 7 AM-3 PM daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

THE PANCAKERY Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 AM - 2 PM Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

BURGERS

AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-4100. **ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**

CASUAL DINING

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

Restaurant Guide

CONTEMPORARY

LOUIS LOUIS Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, $5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

DINNER & A SHOW

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK If you're looking for something different in town for the whole family, come enjoy Graffiti & The Funky Blues Shack. We've been around for 20-plus years doing what we do best – FOOD + MUSIC! Our dishes are tried and true and are sure to satisfy everyone in your group. Our menu showcases a little bit of everything. We offer some of the best gourmet pizzas and pastas in town. We also prepare fresh caught Gulf seafood and perfectly grilled filets. Vegetarian? No worries, we've got you covered, too. While enjoying your delectable meal, you will also experience listening or boogieing to some of the best local and out-of-town talent. We have Jazz Jams, Blues Jams, and everything in between. We weren't voted Best Live Music Venue three years in a row for nothing! Summer music schedule is seven days a week—Sun.-Thu., 7-10 PM and Fri. and Sat., 8 PM until… We have a full bar and offer an early Happy Hour from 4 to 7 PM, as well as a late night Happy Hour Friday and Saturday (check website for time). Located at 34902 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin. For reservations, call 850-424-6650. Full menu and music schedule at **GraffitiFBS.com.**

REDD'S FUELING STATION a/k/a Redd's Pub N Song, specializes in great food and music. The menu is simple but delicious, including slow cooked beef brisket, sweet and spicy babybacks and fried green tomato BLTs. **Redd the Singing Bartender** sings as she bartends, hosts and serves on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays—customers can participate by requesting songs for tips. Redd offers over 350 songs to choose from. Wednesday is Open Mic Night, the longest running open mic on 30A with musicians of all levels and ages welcome. We have the sound system, you bring your instrument and your talent. Friday nights are live music. Redd likes to promote local musicians and several popular local bands had their first gigs here, including the Luke Langford Band and Mose Wilson and the Delta Twang. Dinner reservations for four or more are highly recommended. Located at 2320 West County Highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Call 850-325-0252 for information and reservations. Visit **www.reddsfuel.com** and find **Redd's Pub N Song** on Facebook.

ECLECTIC

CAFÉ THIRTY-A Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. $8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

THE RED BAR The place to go—and say you went—in Grayton Beach. The Red Bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a short but expertly prepared menu of sandwiches, soup and salads for lunch, chicken, local fish, pasta and crab cakes for dinner. The apple dumpling will haunt you, in a good way. Live music, and more local color than you'll know what to do with. Full bar, $4-21. 70 Hotz Avenue, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008. **www.theredbar.com.**

FINE DINING

EDWARD'S FINE FOOD AND WINE Relax, you're at Edward's. Open everyday from 5 PM until everyone is full. Courtyard and indoor seating available. Join us at the chef's counter, and watch as the team prepares gourmet dishes to order. We love children, so for safety and as a courtesy to others, children must remain seated with their parents. We operate on a first come first serve and do not take reservations. We look forward to serving you. 66 Main Street, Rosemary Beach, 850-231-0550. **Edwards30a.com**.

GERMAN/AMERICAN

FOKKERS PUB German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

HEALTHY DINING

GEORGE'S AT ALYS BEACH Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, **georgesatalysbeach.net.**

ITALIAN

CIAO ITALIA BISTRO Dine inside or outside at Guglielmo Ianni's latest bistro. The big menu offers classic Italian appetizers like bruschetta, caprese and calamari, and a range of pasta, chicken, meat, fish and shellfish entrees—puttanesca, Bolognese, parmigiana, pescatore, and some house originals. Daily specials, family dining options, comfortable atmosphere and friendly service. Full bar. Open Monday through Saturday, 5-10 PM 985 U.S. 98 East, Suite F, Destin, 850-842-4677.

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy--beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live

Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and AManda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 PM 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

LATIN / MEXICAN

BUD & ALLEY'S TACO BAR Shake the sand off your feet, choose a colorful table, and get ready to experience South of the Border favorites, Florida-style. Baja fish tacos, homemade guacamole, burritos, top shelf margaritas, and ice cold cerveza hit the spot for lunch or dinner. Open daily, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-4781. **BudAndAlleys.com.**

LA COCINA is a Latin-inspired restaurant featuring both specialty dishes with a Latin flair as well as classic Tex-Mex cuisine. Nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach (in Seacrest Beach), the friendly staff offers some of the best drinks along 30A, including house-made mojitos, sangria, and a selection of fresh-squeezed lime margaritas. La Cocina is always voted as one of South Walton's hot spots for Mexican cuisine. All dishes are prepared from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. Open daily for lunch, 11:30 AM-3 PM, dinner from 5 to 9 PM. Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021.

LA PAZ offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. $15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. **www.lapazdestin.com.**

PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes, steaks and seafood specialties. $4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. **www.mypepitos.com**.

ROCKIN TACOS GRILL & TEQUILA BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-8226. **ROCKINTACOS.COM**

PIZZA & PASTA

BUD & ALLEY'S PIZZA BAR + TRATTORIA Savor artisan cheese, fresh salad, antipasto dishes, homemade soups, seasonal vegetables, hearty pastas and wood-fired pizza. Experience these authentic flavors in the courtyard, fireside at the bar, or on the veranda overlooking the Gulf. Open daily for lunch and dinner, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-3113. **BudAndAlleysPizzaBar.com.**

GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. $4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

SEAFOOD

CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. $5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR Destin, 850-654-2722. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-301-0959. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

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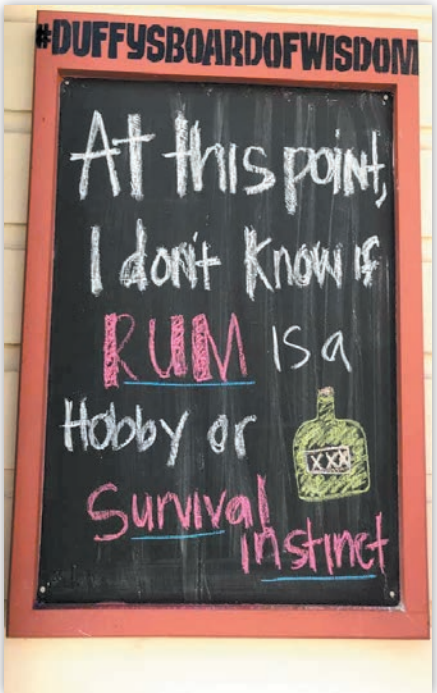

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Fort Walton Beach

850-812-6868

When: 3-6 PM and 10 PM-Midnight daily.

Drink Specials: $3 wells, $2 drafts.

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HarborWalk Village, Destin

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When: Monday-Friday, 3-6 PM Sushi bar and bar area only. Bonzai Wednesdays, 6 PM-close with half price sake, house wine, apps and sushi rolls.

Drink Specials: Half-price hot sake carafes, house wine pours, select draft beers and select apps, plus $5 California rolls, spicy krab rolls and crunch salmon rolls.

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HarborWalk Village, Destin

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When: Monday-Friday, 10 PM-close.

Drink Specials: $3 14-ounce Bud Light or Landshark draft, $4 Barefoot cabernet and chardonnay, $5 "Who's to Blame" margaritas and "5 O'Clock Somewhere" cocktails.

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850-837-2247

When: 4-6 PM daily.

Drink Specials: $5 top shelf Margaritas, FREE chips and salsa.

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When: Early happy hour, 1-6 PM Late night happy hour, 2-4 AM Never a cover charge for escorted women, military, or restaurant-hotel-bar employees.

Drink Specials: Early happy hour—two for $5 well drinks, $10 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge. Late night happy hour—two for $6 well drinks, $12 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge after 3 AM

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Fort Walton Beach

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When: 3-7 PM daily.

TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR

1193B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar

850-651-5100

When: Monday-Friday, 11 AM-7 PM

Drink Specials: $1 off all Twisted (house) wines.

The Dog Days of August

By Dawn Bright

Dear Dawn,
I have two older, large dogs. They love their walks, but I'm hesitant to walk them in this heat. Do you walk your dogs in the summer? It seems too hot for them.
- Anita M. from Crestview

Dogs do love their walks. I have four dogs and taking a walk is the highlight of their life. But the fact is, they don't have the knowledge or common sense we have. And, especially with older dogs, it isn't safe to take them on a walk in the heat of the day. Either do it in the morning or late in the day when it's cooler. And be sure to take a bowl and water, and offer it to them at least every 30 minutes.

Exposing your dog to high temperatures and prolonged direct sun with intense exercise can lead to heat stroke. Older dogs, dogs with shorter snouts, and dogs battling illness are particularly susceptible. I'd suggest laying off the walks right now and find something else to do that they enjoy. Do they like water? Throwing a ball with the sprinklers going is not only amusing to watch, but keeps the dog cool while having a great time. And have a towel handy—not for them, for you! They'll get as much exercise shaking off the water as they do running for the ball.

Dear Dawn,
I have a wall clock upstairs in my bathroom that tells me the outside temperature. The battery in the gadget on the porch that gathers that information has been out for months, but do you think I can remember to bring one upstairs? I'm 50 years old. Is this unusual for someone my age?
- Amanda D. from Niceville

This type of forgetfulness isn't all that unusual, Amanda, and there may be any number of reasons for it. You may not be getting enough sleep, for example. You need sleep to "reboot" your brain. Or it could be a result of a certain medication you're taking. Being stressed, too much multi-tasking, depression… even something as simple as a vitamin deficiency could be causing the occasional forgetfulness. But if you're putting a battery in the dishwasher or forgetting your own name, those may be a sign of something more serious. If memory problems are new to you, or are getting worse, you should probably see a doctor. If the problem isn't getting worse, focus on getting plenty of uninterrupted sleep, watching your diet, and adding some exercise to your life. Research shows aerobic/cardiovascular exercise helps your brain forge new connections, and can even make new nerve cells. So remember my advice, and good luck!

Dear Dawn,
Summer is my favorite time of year. I want it to drag on, but instead it just seems to fly by. Why?
- Phillip P. from Navarre

I love summer, too. I can hardly wait for Memorial Day weekend, as that's the start of summer for me. My pool is warm enough to enjoy, the days are getting longer, and everyone seems more relaxed, more laid back and ready to chill! And then all of a sudden it's Labor Day, which is the end of summer, and *boom*! Back to the grind.

But it's really just a mental thing, Phillip. The official start of summer this year was June 21, which was also the longest day of the year. So the days are actually getting shorter all the way to December 22, which is the shortest day of the year. And the other thing is, it's still super-hot here in September and October. Since it still feels like summer, it makes no sense to get all bummed out on Labor Day.

And one more thing—the more we do, the faster time seems to move. So if you're busy all summer doing fun activities, all that activity makes it feel like time is flying by. Slow down and do less, and the days will drag on a bit longer. See? It's all just a mental game. I think I'll take my own advice and take some time off, slow down, and prolong these long hot summer days.

Dawn Bright is an eternal optimist. And that's pretty much all you need to know about her. Email your questions to **office@beachcomberdestin.com.**

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AQUARIUS
JAN. 21 - FEB. 19

Financial change is in your future. Take that stack of unpaid bills and toss them in the shredder. Then find a way to get off the grid.

PISCES
FEB. 20 - MAR. 20

I really don't have time to deal with you, Pisces. I have bigger fish to fry.

ARIES
MAR. 21 - APR. 20

If the stars fell out of the sky, things would still look great for you. You are the *Avengers: Endgame* of human beings.

TAURUS
APR. 21 - MAY 21

You shouldn't let the fact that your name appeared in Jeffrey Epstein's little black book upset you *too* much.

GEMINI
MAY 22 - JUNE 21

You thought August was bad? Wait till you see what's in store for September.

CANCER
JUNE 22 - JULY 22

The stars are laughing at you behind your back.

LEO
JULY 23 - AUG. 23

I'd tell you the upcoming two weeks were looking really good for you, Leo, but I'd be lion.

VIRGO
AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23

Not looking good, Virgo. Time to book that space shuttle trip you've been thinking about for years.

LIBRA
SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23

You're as great as they come, Libra. No need to read *Beachcomber*'s Horrorscopes to affirm that.

SCORPIO
OCT. 24 - NOV. 22

Sometime in August, your dogs will come to the realization that they absolutely do not like you. Get ready.

SAGITTARIUS
NOV. 23 - DEC. 21

Stop looking to the planets and stars for guidance and focus on more earth-bound concerns. Did you know Burger King was selling tacos now?

CAPRICORN
DEC. 22 - JAN. 20

As always, the end is near. It's just nearer for you than most folks.

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Throughout the United States, the huge majority of seafood is imported. Most of it is mislabeled. Frozen seafood is sold as "fresh" and imported seafood is sold as "local". According to Oceana, 93% of fish sold as red snapper is actually some other species. 57% of tuna sold at sushi bars throughout the country is not tuna. Most of the tilapia served in this country comes from Viet Nam and Thailand and much of it is farmed in waters with sewage run-off and the source of feed is pig feces.

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